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THE WORLD AT LARGE.

EDWARD ELMORE BROCK'S COMMENTS ON THE TOPICS AND DOINGS OF

The Day From His Point of View—About the Absence of this Department From The Freeman—The Negro's Success, Professionally and his Saving Qualities

"Which way the subject theme may
gang,
Let time or chance determine;
Perhaps it may turn out a song,
Or probably a sermon."

"Oh! wad some power the giftie gie us,
To see ourselves as ithers see us."

There is an old, but trite saying, that "you can't do two things at one and the same time and do equal justice to both. For the benefit of those readers who have found some interest in the past in the perusal of this column, I wish to state that, having some other irons in the fire this summer, together with that lassitude that always comes with the hot weather. I have allowed this department to go neglected. But while I have been sort of lethargic, I am glad to see that those worthy constituents, Messrs. A. M. Hodges ("B. Square"); M. A. Majors, M. D., and uncle "Noah Baxter," of Marble Falls, Texas, have been wielding the quill to good advantage, and that the fortunate readers of the Freeman are the gainers thereby. Greetings dear boys. I am glad to get back to my seat at the "Round Table," and thank you for keeping it warm during my absence.

By the by, speaking of the Freeman's "Round Table," I notice that there is another vacant chair which has not been occupied for quite some littletime. Come brother R. W. Thompson, there is one reader that misses the snap and vim which you gave to the columns of the Freman. Are your duties on the Colored American so exacting that you cannot spare, say just two days in the month to join the boys? I am sure I vouch the sentiment of all, when I say you are truly missed.

THE NEGRO S SUCCESS, PROFESSIONALLY AND HIS FUTURE.

We have all read of the remarkable record of the invincible little George Dixon and Peter Jackson, as prize fighters; of the late Isaac Murphy, the king of the pig-skin in his day and time; of Paul Lawrence Dunbar, as a writer of books and plays and of Marshall Taylor, known as the "Major," the crack rider of the bicycle. All who have achieved A No. 1 records in their various professions, and made loads of money at the same time. We who have not been quite so lucky in life cannot help but feel just a trifle envious at their money making powers, and yet with a goodly amount of pride; for are they not of our race, and who knows better than we the obstacles they had to surmount ere they eventually got to the top? But there is another side to the question, one that would if given more thought by the fortunate individual would be of more inglorious pleasure and benefit, and would cause we, the onlookers to view their success in whatever profession with still deeper pride and interest. Life does not run on forever. Like the brook it has its ending. So it is with those whose garment has swept along the path of fame and fortune. It becomes then not so much a question as to what they have been enabled to make by their brain power, the riding of the bicycle, or their puglistic abilities. But when this power has become a lost art, how much of the silver, the gold coin, or the green and brown backs have been laid by for the rainy season—that seer and yellow age, when to have done so would be an assurance of an utopian dream of independence and luxurious ease. That the reader will all the better be able to realize the significance of this fact, I have only to quote the following abstract from the New York Sun, a few days ago:

"The winnings of George Dixon, the Negro feather-weight fighter, have been estimated at something like $250,000 in 10 years. Dixon is said to own a $7,500 house at Malden, Mass., and that is about all that remains of his share of the large amount he was enabled to earn through the shrewdness and industry of his manager."

I wonder how Dixon views this startling expose of his financial affairs? His career now almost rounding to a close, has been a brilliant and most phenominal one. As a wonderful puglist his name will go thundering down to posterity. But of the mighty dollar—that enabler of life's existence; alas! we learn with regret that it has vanished as the "chaff before the winds."

Dixon's case does not stand alone; it has its parralel in Peter Jackson, the fighter; Frank Hart, the pedestrian; Isaac Murphy, the jockey, and well, its historical fact of the professional Negro to spend as he goes—looking out for today and leaving the morrow to take care of itself.

A NATIONAL NEGRO POLITICAL ORGANIZATION.

That there never was a better time than now for the union of the Negro race in the United States into one grand national political organization, is shown conclusively in the many articles that are being written and published in the Negro press from the pens of some of the leading politicians of the race. These letters and articles all show a decidedly restless spirit of discontent on their part to break away from both political parties, and the feeling to form an organization of their own. While the Negro has in truth been the butt and catspaw—the tool wherein both parties have made of him a political convenience to further their own personal scemes; still, the solution to the problem seems as far off as ever. And why is this? Simply because it is characteristic of the Negro in the effort to form any organization, to all wanting to be leaders, but sibservient to none; and in this lies their first and most important drawback. It is true, that in most every instance where there have been leaders (?), the followers have been tricked and duped, in order to enable themselves (these would-be leaders) to pocket a few ill-gotten dollars. Then can we wonder at the misplaced confidence which the Negro has in each other? But even with all these disadvantages, and they the undeniable, the writer is still of the opinion, in fact it has been a pet theory of his for a number of years, that there should be, and can be if properly gone about in a business-like and honest-like way, a national Negro political organization that would not only be of mate-

REV. W. J. HARRIS.
Chaplain—Good Government Club.

rial benefit to the ten millions of Negro people in this country, but being independent in its breadth and scope as it should ought to be; it would cause the Republican and Democratic organizations to measure the Negro voter in a different attitude. This can be brought about only through the Negro breaking away from both parties and forming a national Negro independent organization of their own. It has become an undeniable fact that the Negro holds the balancing power on the political pendum in this country, and in order to get them to throw their power to either party, there would thus be in such an independent position as it were, to demand their own terms, i. e., being no longer a Republican or Democrat institution, but an independent one, whichever party gave the most tempting and guarranteed promises, to that side would be thrown the entire Negro vote. Should these promises not be kept at any time, then the National Negro political organization to continue making independent nominations of their own until the absence of their vote will be so keenly felt, that on the return of the prodical, no rights of justice in the dispencing of the spoils be denied them.

I believe that if gone into in the proper spirit and business-like way, that there can be organized a political Negro organization on the principles of the renowned Tammany Hall. But it has got to be conducted on the basis of one true leader and various committees in whom there must be placed implicit trust and confidence. All movements to be conducted in secret session and the holding of municipal, State and national conventions. To this end, I therefore heartily indorse the names as sent in by Henry T. Giles, of Newark, N. J., as the proper persons to issue the call for a national convention of Negro voters to discuss the expediency of forming a Negro political party.

EN PASSANT.

Now that the war is over and we stay-at-homes are chuck full of pride over the part taken in it by our heroes and the honorable victories they have won. How they have made themselves the heroes of the hour by their fearless charge on San Juan, and at Santiago. It would not , perhaps, be out of place at this time to reprint a few abstracts from the Anglo-American press, as to their criticism of the attitude taken by the Negro in our late Spanish-American war. Therefore the following has been culled for the benefit of my Freeman readers.

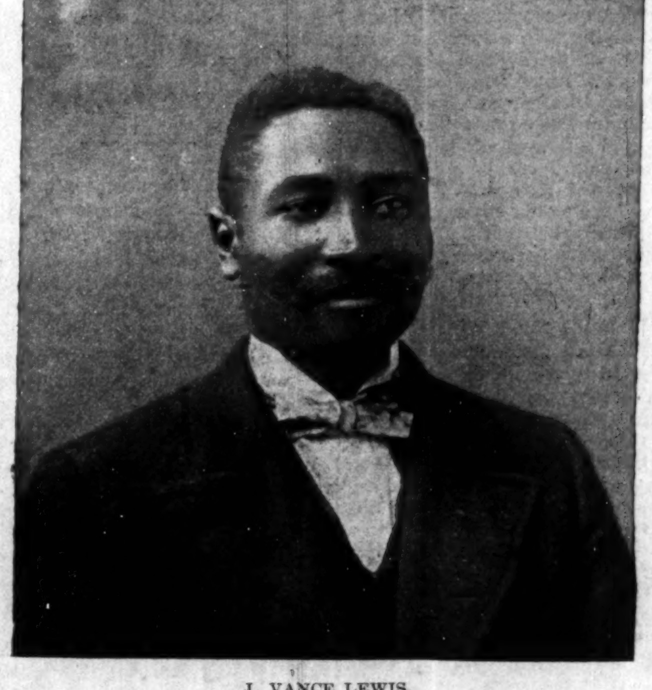
"At every forward movement in our national life the Negro comes to the front and shares in the advance. With each national expansion he does his part of the work and he deserves equal recognition. At Santiago two Negro regiments, the Ninth, in General Summer's brigade, and the Tenth, in General Bates,' were at the front in the center of the line. With the rest they crested the heights of San Juan, with the rest they left their men thick-scattered on the slope, and since they shared in death every member of the race has a right to ask that in life no rights be denied and no privilege curtailed.

DR. E. F. JOHNSON,
Secretary—Young Men's Good Government Club.

White regiments which connected with them in that thin blue line, that slender hoop of steel which hemmed in more than its opposing number, may have held men who hesitate about this and that contact with color, but on that Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning when risk and peril hung heavy over the line there was no hesitation about closing up on the Ninth and Tenth regiments because the men in them were colered.

With all that the war has done to cement anew the nation, not the least of it is this new opportunity it has given to the colored citizen. In dicipline, in courage and in patriotism no one can challenge the record made by the Negro. He has stood ready to the death to met the duties of American citizenship. He ought to find a growing readiness to give him all its right."—The Philadelphia Press.

"In every battle in which they were engaged the colored soldiers fought bravely and distinguished themselves by their heroism and courage. In many cases they were in the foremost ranks facing the enemy, and were always among the first to storm and take possession of the enemy's intrenchments. We have yet to hear of the slightest question raised as to the undoubted bravery of our colored soldiers. All hail to the brave colored fellows! They have added lustre to this race, and our colred citizens have just reason to feel proud of their splendid record."—The Poughkeepsie (N. Y.) Star.



J. VANCE LEWIS,
President Young Med's Good Government Club.

"Of the regiments participating in the battle of Santiago none showed greater gallantry and bravery than the Tenth regular troops, composed of Negroes. It is right that these Negro soldiers, who are fighting the battles of the flag that gave them their freedom, be given full credit for their heroism. A man can be just as brave and loyal if his skin is black instead of white. All honor to the Negro soldiers of the United States army."—The Schenectady (N. Y.) Union.

"The colored soldiers have shown themselves excellent fighters in Cuba. It is related of the troopers of the Tenth at El Caney that they fought like demons and withstood the rigors of the tropical climate uncomplainingly. The officers of the regiment could scarcely restrain the men in their enthusiasm to reach the enemy. When the order finally came to charge the earthworks the troopers rushed at them in spite of a withering fire and drove the enemy from their position."—The Jamestown (N. Y.) Journal.

"The baptism of Spanish fire, received under the Stars and Stripes, has wiped out race feeling and race prejudices as nothing else could have done. Henceforward these men of colored skin will be considered more American than ever before, and the sight of a colored man maimed by the fire of the Spanish enemy will perhaps make many of those who have stayed at home and dodged the war, and yet who have often jeered at the darkened skin, feel glad that the nation has a million and a half of these brave colored men upon whom to call in any emergency."—The Glen Falls (N. Y.) Times.

"The colored troops have maintained their reputation in the present war. There were three Negro regiments engaged in the assault upon San Juan, and they bore themselves very gallantly."—Th Syracuse (N. Y.) Post.

"In the light of the splendid conduct of the colored troops who offered their lives on those bloody fields for the honor and victory of our flag, what true American is there who will not dismiss the miserable prejudices which so long have disgraced the treatment of people of color by many of our citizens?"—The Rochester (N. Y.) Democrat and Chronicle.

THOS. W. VALENTINE.
Young Men's Good Governmeut Club.

THE NEGRO SOLDIER.

We used to think the Negro didn't
count for very much—
Light fingered in the melon patch, and
chicken yard and such;
Much mixed in point of morals and
absurd in point of dress,
The butt of droll cartoonists and the
target of the press;
But we've got to reconstruct our
views on color more or less,
Now we know about the Tenth at La
Quasina!

When a rain of shot was falling, with a
song upon his lips,
In the horror where such gallant lives
went out in death's eclipse,
Face to face with Spanish bullets on
the slope of San Juan,
The Negro soldier showed himself another type of man;
Read the story of his courage, coldly,
carlessly, who can—
The story of the Tenth at La Quasina!

We have heaped the Cuban soil above
their bodies, black and white—
The strangely sorted comrades of that
grand and glorious fight—
And many a fair-skinned volunteer
goes whole and sound to-day
For the succor of the colored troops,
the battle records say,
And the feud is done forever, of the
blue coat and the gray—
All honor to the Tenth at La Quasina!
—From the Boston Journal.

WHITE AND BLACK.

You call him "man and brother,"
But when the trouble comes,
When eager legions gather
To the long roll of the drums;
When sad farewells are spoken
And hearts are on the rack,
When fond home ties are broken
He must stand aside—he's black.

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PERSEVERANCE CROWNED

WITH SUCCESS—JOSEPH B. GORDAN, A COLORED MAN

Pardoned by Governor Pingree, of Michigan, From Life Imprisonment Through the Efforts of D. Augustus Straker, Attorney-at-Law.

Joseph B. Gordan, a colored man living in Detroit, was charged upon information in the Recorder's Court, in the October term, 1892, with murder in shooting his eleven-year-old child. The circumstances of the tragedy were the following: Gordon, who was married, took into his family another colored man as a boarder, who soon afterwards alienated the affections of Gordan's wife from him. Gordan protested and requested the stranger to leave his premises. This he refused to do, and on a summer evening a controversy arose between them while partaking of a watermelon. Gordan shot at his rival across the table and missed him, and firing a second shot while the Romeo took flight in an adjoining room, accidentaly shot his child, who was in the doorway. The child died shortly after. Gordan was convicted and sentenced by Judge Chambers to life imprisonment. Gordan's attorney, D. Augustus Straker, who was assigned to defend him by the court, took the case on appeal in error to the Supreme Court, and was granted a new trial, the Supreme Court reversing the lower court upon the admission of Gordan's wife as a competent witness against him, but took occasion to state in its opinion that the circumstance of killing having arisen in a controversy, the killing was at most but manslaughter. Gordan was tried and again convicted of murder in the first degree and sentenced by Judge Chapin to life imprisonment. Being poor and unable to take his case to the Supreme Court a sceond time, his attorney petitioned Governor Rich to pardon him, but was denied. He again petitioned Governor Pingree, and after a space of nearly three years' effort has met with success. Gordan bore a good reputation from many prominent white men in Detroit with whom he lived, for honesty, sobriety and peaceable conduct. He has served upwards of four years imprisonment. The killing of his child was pure accident, and although technical malice is implied, no one believes he intended to do other than punish the destroyer of his domestic peace.

Dr. E. F. Johnson.

Dr. E. F. Johnson, the secretary of the Sunday Club, was born at Centralia, Marion County, Illinois, in 1870. The early years of his life were spent in the schools of Illinois, where he received a primary education. He afterwards moved with his parents to Iowa, where he finished in the high school business department at Des Moines, Iowa. Soon after he entered the Iowa College of Physicians and Surgeons, from which he graduated in 1894, practicing in Des Moines until the early part of this summer, when he moved to this city and is now located at 1309 Senate avenue North. He was married in 1896 to Miss May Ruff, of Atlantic, Iowa.

J. Vance Lewis.

J. V. Lewis, the president of the Young Men's Sunday Club, was born in Houma, La., in 1869 and was seventeen years of age before he began to study the English language. In 1886 he entered Leland University and from that school he entered Lincoln University, Pennsylvania. In 1895 he entered the Chicago College of Law and graduated in 1897 with high honors. He has been admitted to the bar in Michigan, Illinois and Indiana. He practiced law in Chicago one year, then came to this city, where he has met with much success. He has also been elected superintendent of the Progressive Joint Stock Company, with a capital stock of $10,000.

Thos. W. Valentine.

Mr. Thos. W. Valentine was born in Meade County, Ky., in 1881. He lived on the farm with his parents until he was twelve years of age, then moving with them to this city he entered the public school and made rapid progress and today stands first in his classes in Latin, Greek and French and was chosen orator of his school at the closing of the school.

The Michigan Representative serves notice on Republican candidates that it will not suport any of them who are not in favor of doing what is right by the Afro-American. It claims that the time has gone by when promises will suffice.—The Helena Progress, Helena, Ark.

MAJORS' MELANGE.

We were called to Champaign, Ill., a few weeks ago on professional business and with the affable Rev. P. C. Cooper made several visits among the leading colored people of the above-named city; also Urbana, an adjoining town. Two-story residences of the race tended largely to remind the writer of our progress in home getting. Behind the reverend's well-bred mare we were no time getting around. A Mr. Moss owns the property up in the business blocks, where he has ran a barber shop for twenty-four years. Across the street from the leading hotel of the city lives a colored gentleman who owns a nine-room, two-story residence, and half a block from where the famous Doane Hotel stood lives the Widow Johnson, whose property is estimated to be worth thousands of dollars. The writer saw many men in business and getting on in the world prosperously. Rev. Mrs. Cooper gave us a boiled dinner on our return home and her skill at the art of fixing things to suit the inner man has won her merited praise. She is a gifted vocalist and is often invited out to sing in the white churches in Champaign. Champaign is the seat of the State University, and withal a very attractive city. The young people are numerous and intelligent. The A. M. E. Church owns a beautiful brick edifice, the interior of which is decorated and seated up to date. The walls were hand painted by a young man of the race, now deceased, whose reputation and skill as an artist enabled him to leave his bereaved mother quite comfortable. Rev. P. C. Cooper is pastor.

Governor Tanner is playing politics in Illinois to the galleries. In his enthusiasm for political prestige he is forgetting the Negro vote. His latest edict is that "imported labor can not be protected by the State militia." This applies to 300 Negroes brought up from Memphis, Tenn., to Pana, Ill., to work the coal mines. The strike is on. Murder and arson are rampant and the Governor takes sides with the labor union, who will not work nor let labor be employed. Communism in the State Capitol—bah!

We often hear the expression, "He's a smart man." This reference is given to doctors, lawyers, ministers, teachers, mechanics or some plain common-sense practical fellow. The person of whom this reference is meant sometimes is judged rightly; but, alas! how often the application is ill-used. It may be that he is scholarly, cultured, and it may be even said that he is brainy, but there is a difference in being "smart" and being brainy. If a man is "smart" he is using all his God-given powers, he governs his will power, keeps himself in subjection to his higher nature and does not abuse any of the laws upon which his happiness or health depend. He measures his energy and keeps tab on his locomotion, that he may stray only in the path of rectitude and duty. Now, a man may be scholarly or brainy and do none of these things. I am acuainqted with some such fellows whom people call smart, who sow seeds of intemperance, go to places a smart man would not go to, do things a smart man would never think of doing, show their dissolute ways with lionized boldness and the people say, "It is a shame; he is a smart fellow." They make a great mistake. The fellow is not "smart" a little bit. "Tho' he may possess all knowledge, may speak with tongue of an angel, he is but a sounding brass and tinkling cymbal."

We have been to Indianapolis, Ind., the home of The Freeman, and discovered that the laws of gravitation are true. Many portions of the beautiful city seem to have been transplanted choice spots of Euclid avenue, of Cleveland, O. Met a fine class of Negroes, saw many fine buildings and choice grounds, beautiful residences and beautiful women. Met the only Hon. Geo. L. Knox, the versatile W. M. Lewis, of Freeman fame, Drs. Elbert, Ward and Furniss, and last, but by no means least, Mrs. Geo. L. Knox and the far-famed elocutionist and writer, Mrs. Lillian Fox.

The meeting of the Afro-American Protective League at Springfield, Ill., has passed into history. More on the subject next week.

As one scans the Stage Department of The Illustrated Freeman there is much to please. So far as the theatrical Negro is concerned the New York Clipper is a back number. The Negro in the realm of amusement and entertainment is making a great remunerative field. Many of these young people have responsibilities that are a burden to bear, yet they resolutely enter it, not because other work is not inviting, but because it is their natural trend. Their applause is beneficial to the entire race, their profits usually educate a brother or sister or support a family. The American and European patrons find greater amusement at a Negro show (the popularity of which there is no equal than can be had at the average white opera. What does this all mean? It means that the Negro is becoming in evidence and much of the Negro culture that now lies hidden beneath the crude representations of Negro life will in the years to come find quite as much appreciation and patronage as Uncle Tom's Cabin in the days of reconstruction.

The Negro needs no Negro political party; he needs manly courage, fostered by capital and a level mental capacity. As long as the white man does the business of the country just so long will he run things to suit himself. It is foolish for financial pigmies and the vast aggregate of ignorance of the race to talk about controlling the two great political parties. We are in no condition to sacrifice the sympathy and respect of those who contend that the Negro shall yet have fair play. Let us keep to the ship (the G. O. P.); all else is the sea.

It is being demonstrated every day that lynchers of poor, unprotected Negroes are either killing each other, committing suicide or their children are going to the devil. Just as the white man is a big thief and steals large amounts of wealth, in the same respect is a Negro a large beggar. The white man takes thousands, the Negro begs for thousands. The Negro steals little things, just as the white man begs for little things. So that a Negro is a little thief, while the white man is a big thief. The Negro is a big beggar, the white man is a little beggar. Here is a practical, philosophical truth. Let some modern philosopher solve it. Yours doomed to immortality,

M. A. MAJORS, M. D.

LOCATING A COUPLET.

A Familiar Quotation Ascribed to Butler Is Placed.

Few popular quotations have more engaged the pens of critics than the following:

For he that fights and runs away
Will live to fight another day.

These lines are almost universally supposed to form a part of "Hudibras," and so confident have even scholars been on the subject that in 1784 a wager was made at Bootle of 20 to 1 that they were to be found in that inimitable poem. Dodsley was referred to as the arbiter, when he ridiculed the idea of consulting him on the subject, saying, "Every fool knows they are in 'Hudibras.'"

George Selwyn, who was present, said to Dodsley, "Pray, sir, will you be good enough, then, to inform an old fool, who is at the same time your wise worship's very humble servant, in what canto they are to be found?"

Dodsley took down the volume, but he could not find the passage. The next day came, with no better success, and the sage bibliophile was obliged to confess "that a man might be ignorant of the author of this well known couplet without being absolutely a fool." Butler has indeed two or three passages somewhat similar. The one that comes nearest is the following, in "Hudibras," book 3, canto 3, verse 243:

For those that fly may fight again,
Which he can never do that's slain.

The fact, however, is that the couplet, thus erroneously ascribed to the author of "Hudibras," occurs in a small volume of miscellaneous poems by Sir John Mennes, written in the reign of Charles II.—Exchange.

In the Wrong Place.

A characteristic story of General Scott is told in connection with the sword presented to him by the state of Louisiana, through the legislature, at the close of the Mexican war.

He was accosted one day by a man who said: "General Scott, I had the honor of doing most of the work on the sword presented to you by the state of Louisiana. I should like to ask if it was just as you would have chosen."

"It's a very fine sword, sir, a very fine sword indeed," said the general. "I am proud to have it. There is only one thing I should have preferred different. The inscription should have been on the blade, sir. The scabbard may be taken from us, but the sword, never!"

The sword cost about $500, the principal expense being in the scabbard, which was richly chased and ornamented.—Exchange.

Incident of Trolley Travel.

"What the dash are you here for?" said an angry passenger, stepping down slowly from the footboard of a trolley car. He thought the conductor should have looked out for him and stopped the car where he wanted to get off, a block back.

"I'll show you what I'm here for," said the conductor, reaching for the bellcord (ting, ting!) as he spoke, and

"Zip, zip, zip," came the sound of the motorman's lever turning in the notches, and

"Bz-z-zz-zz-zz!" sang the trolley, and before he knew it the passenger found himself standing alone in the middle of the road.—New York Sun.

Method.

"No," said Senator Sorghum, with emphasis, "I can't talk for publication today."

"But, senator, in all the years of our acquaintance this is the first time you ever declined to let me quote you."

"I don't want you not to quote me. I want you to say I decline to be interviewed. This is confidential. I've concluded it's time for me to act as if I'd got to be so important that I dasn't talk for fear of giving something big away."—Washington Star.

Painful Operation.

"Is that fellow really a painless dentist?"

"Almost. The only pain I suffered was when he extracted his fees."—Indianapolis Journal.

Charged $5 For "Sass."

A story is told of Fanny Kemble, whose favorite summer resort was Lenox, that on her first season there she employed a self respecting villager, who had a comfortable turnout, to drive her about. He, feeling it to be his duty to make the drive as entertaining as possible, began to call her attention to the beauty of the scenery—which she wished to enjoy undisturbed—and to tell her who lived in certain houses as they passed along, until finally Mrs. Kemble, being unable to stand it any longer, said in the high tragedy manner somewhat peculiar to her, "I have engaged you to drive for me, sir, and not to talk."

The driver ceased talking, pursed up his lips, and in all their subsequent drives his only remarks were such as he found necessary to address to his horses. At the end of the season he handed in his bill for the summer services. Running her eye down its awkward columns, she paused at an item that she didn't understand. "What is this, sir? I cannot comprehend it."

With equal gravity he replied, "Sass, $5. I don't often take it, but when I do I charge."

She paid the bill without comment and continued to enploy the same driver during many summers she spent there.—Boston Record.

The Gamblers' Capper.

"Many of the phases of life in the Tenderloin are kaleidoscopic in their changes," said a hotel detective, "but there is one little group of men in this precinct that is much the same now that it was a dozen years ago. I mean the outside men of the gambling houses. They are well known to all sporting men, and I could name four or five who have done little else all their lives. It is their business to know the regular patrons of faro banks, and if the man who employs them has been forced to close up his old place and open a new one it is their duty to circulate the tip.

"A good outside man spends his time around hotels and in all night restaurants and picks up acquaintances wherever he can. After working up to the subject of gambling he invites his new friend to go around to a little place that is run honestly and safely. One of the best dressed loungers on Broadway, whose face has long been familiar to paraders on that street, is a puller in for a gambling house. He was a barkeeper a few years ago and there made a lot of acquaintances who are his stock in trade. He spends money as freely as a wine agent, and I have no doubt that he brings many thousands of dollars to the man who runs the gambling house."—New York Sun.

Saved Life and Name.

The French author Martainville, who began his career toward the close of the last century, is said to have owed the preservation of his life to a witty piece of audacity. He was a royalist and did not hesitate to attack the French revolution and its authorities. Presently, of course, he was summoned to appear before the revolutionary tribunal. The revolutionary tribunals at that time did not hesitate to send everybody to the guillotine who had ventured to attack them.

Martainville expected to go with the rest of the victims. "What is your name?" asked the judge. "Martainville," said the young author. "Martainville!" exclaimed the judge. "You are deceiving us and trying to hide your rank. You are an aristocrat, and your name is De Martainville." "Citizen president," exclaimed the young man, "I am here to be shortened, not to be lengthened! Leave me my name!" A true Frenchman loves a witticism above all things, and the tribunal was so pleased by Martainville's grim response that it spared his life.

Queer Medicines.

The peasant pharmacopœia of France is wonderful—most wonderful. Wine is an ingredient of every prescription. In fever cases it is always the predominant one. The French peasant's faith in fermented grape juice is truly beautiful. If his children are stricken with the measles, he gives them beakers of wine, well sweetened with honey and highly spiced with pepper. For a severe cold he administers a quart of red wine and a melted tallow candle mixed. For scarlet or brain fever he gives eggs, white wine and soot well beaten together. Not all their superstitions are curious. Some are pathetic. A mother, for instance, often buries her dead child with its favorite toy or her own beautiful hair in the coffin, "that it may not feel quite alone."—Paris Correspondence.

Corrupting an Echo.

At Killarney every visitor hears some laughable stories. Here is one—new and fresh, I think—which I picked up during my last visit to the glorious lakes: A number of boatmen who were quarreling about the division of "tips" indulged at the top of their voices in a good deal of profane language, which the marvelous echo repeated verbatim.

"Arrah, look at that, now, for a scandal," said one of the party who was of a pious turn. "T'achin the poor harmless echo to curse and sware."—Spectator.

Big Similarity.

"The minister and the policeman," said the young and cynical boarder, "are inseparable adjuncts of civilization."

"They are very much alike," said the cheerful idiot. "One is a pairer, and the other is a peeler."—Indianapolis Journal.

Each figure in a first class waxwork exhibition has to be remade every four or five years. The wax loses its color and becomes soft and spongy after that time.

It is estimated that in Paris one in 18 of the population, or 150,000, live on charity, with a tendency toward crime. In London this class is one in 30.

LOOK! A SACRIFICE

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The policy of the army in dealing with colored soldiers has been in keeping with the sentiment which prevails among our white friends and to which all except our most bitter enemies find it not difficult to gracefully yield. That a fixed policy has been pursued in this matter may not be apparent to one on the surface, but close study will make such a fact plain.

The readiness and cordiality of the recognition given the bravery of colored troops and the appointment of officers are incidents which have pleased all of us and which have even filled to the brim for many the cup of satisfaction.

I will again strike an unpopular chord when I point out the real truth, but who cares for popularity and the truth at the *same time?* These two things don't go together.

The great fact to be noted is this: Negro soldiers were invariably separated from the whites in regiments, save in one instance, and in that the line of demarcation was in the company—one black company in a white regiment.

The second great fact is, affairs have been so managed as to avoid bringing colored officers in social contact with white officers. The inference is that the courage and soldierly qualities of the Negro are freely and fairly recognized, but that the prevailing opinion of his social relation to the whites is maintained. A Negro servant is all right, but a Negro paymaster is objectionable. The objection to the paymaster is inconsistent, or at least is not essential to the maintenance of the adopted theory as to what should be our social relation. The government can insist on the recognition of the colored paymaster and yet not recede one inch from the stand taken as to the social relation that is to be maintained between the races. There has been no period when the discussion of this proposition has been so frank as it is now and there has been no time when the utterances have been characterized with so much confidence as now.

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If we, as a class, will accept the theory that is popular with our white friends all general friction will cease and an era of peace and prosperity will begin. Are we willing to become a perpetually separate class and to accept certain social restrictions based upon race relations? If so, we have but to signify our acquiescence and peace reigns. We can soon be going into white men's parlors, riding with them in first-class cars, be entertained at hotels and get along quietly in all of our dealings. A Negro servant has always been able to travel comfortably with his master and Negroes who are not servants can get on all right if they are known to be reconciled to the theory white people hold as to what should be our place. No colored man who ever acts like he regards himself as in real fellowship with the whites is accorded social recognition willingly by the average white man. The instances of which we hear so much in which Negroes are dined and entertained by white people will all bear out this statement when investigated. Those who receive such recognition and who actually feel good over it do so because either they misunderstand its meaning or else accept it as intended and are satisfied with what it implies.

The colored man stands close to the white man in this order: The colored servant stands closest, the colored man who tacitly accepts a place as an inferior stands next and the colored man who refuses to recognize any difference based upon race is afar off from the favor of the whites. The white man's respect for the Negro is in reverse ratio. Negro soldiers died at the front in glorious battle and the nation honored them, but Negro chaplains were afar off. Why? Who dares to pretend to sincerity and utter as his belief the pretext offered by diplomacy? Our chaplains obeyed orders and in that acted like true soldiers ought, but if they go one step farther and seek to justify the orders which kept them from their parts of real duty they compromise their manhood. This is plain talk, but it is the truth. Let the Negro in the nation sustain willingly the same relation to the whites in civil and political life that we have had to sustain in the army and all will be well. Frederick Douglass could be federal marshal in everything but social recognition. Unwillingness to accept this condition will exclude any colored man from any office that is to be obtained by appointment. Now, don't rejoice too much when we are praised for bravery, for loyalty and for discipline as soldiers, but keep one eye on the rest of the question. We must not be deluded by the fragment of a great proposition or the incidents of a theory, but we should take in the situation, the proposition in its entirety and then form our opinion.

Our brave and noble soldier boys have ennobled the whole race in the eyes of the world, but at the same time the white man's astute policy has fastened more firmly upon us than ever the theory to which he seeks to force us to submit. Just watch the expressions in magazines, journals, daily papers and from the platform and you will see the undercurrent. Shall we follow those who are called our leaders and accept what they say as inevitable, or shall we still hold out for recognition upon the basis of character regardless of race?

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Editor The Freeman:

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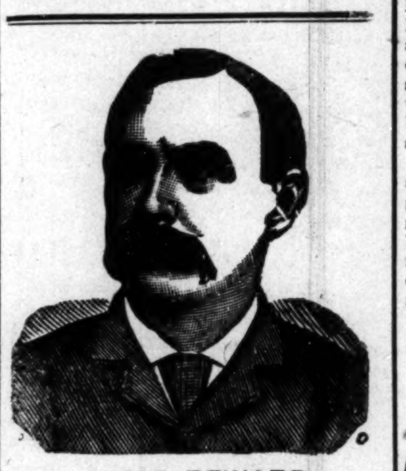

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THE COLORED VOTER.

There are those in our midst, men of honorable repute, colored men who are laboring with the colored voters in order to show them the error of their ways in still supporting the Republican party. The age is too far advanced to indulge in egg throwing politics; every man is entitled to his opinions, vouchsafed him by no less eminent authority than the Constitution for all the States. By what mode of reasoning they arrive at their conclusions is a matter that rests wholly with them. It remains only with the Republicans to offset any erroneous ideas set in motion that are "calculated" to deceive the unsuspecting. The idea that colored men should divide their votes is an intelligent assertion when coupled with the saving clause, when the times demand it. The right to divide their votes to those who are seeking to make converts, from the Republican ranks is considered an all persuasive argument at the very mention of which colored men should by some automatic action pair themselves as between the two great parties, independent of any underlying causes, and strange to say this moiety, the other half of the votes is expected to go to the Democratic ranks in a body, regardless of the other existing parties. The fact that the colored voters found themselves in the Republican party whether by chance or as the result of design in no way sets them down as imbeciles in thus remaining. It would be a greater act of stupidity if changing because the opportunity afforded itself without compensatory benefits rather than to act with a party that is the known author of the race's weal. If there is restlessness to any extent whatever among the colored voters in regards to his natural party it does not arise from the great inducements held out by the other party. There is not the slightest intimation that whatever real or imaginary wrongs may exist are to be corrected by the Democratic party. A change that promises no relief is un-American and impolitical to say the least. In reviewing the history of the politiacl parties and the causes for identification with them, a cause has never been found wanting. In the beginning the voters were arrayed as Federalists and anti-Federalists. One believed in a strong central government as necessary to establish and perpetuate a great union. The other party believed in a loose compact for the States, with the supreme sovereignty residing in the State, a faith that is still alive in the union. All subsequent history shows that all questions of note were the means of bringing forward new parties, or the absorption of old ones. The present Republican party exists not by accident but by design. Those who formerly were the bulwark of the party had all shades of political opinions, but they were a greed to the end that slavery was a curse and should be eliminated from the institutions of the land. Those men were held sensible because they changed their views; but no man will question their motives, for they were all too apparent. The prohibition party though feeble as a caterpillar by contrast, yet it maintains the respectability owing to its convictions. The Greenback party, the Populists have arisen and flourished a season because men were attracted by the new "gospel" in which they thought they saw deliverance. These parties are what may be termed the visionary parties owing to the unattainable, which they sought. But be that as it may, the founders of these new means of relief were agreed and had definite objects in view, definite hopes and aims.

What abuses do the colored voters hope to correct in event they should ally themselves with any other party? Past legislation the country over and the declaration for future actions by Democrats in behalf of the colored people holds out no hope from that direction. The South of the present day is nothing but a hot bed of pernicious activity that directs its animus at the civil liberties of the Negroes, and when those suffer;

"All suffer alike the fearful and the brave."

Surely there is nothing there to allure the colored voters. Thrusting aside the racial aspect or the selfish phase of the question, the colored voter is not a non-interested spectator, unmindful of the policies advocated by the different parties in shaping this country's career. Since he appeared on the scene he has witnessed the country in the hands of the two great parties, and beyond that reason of being a Republican because born so, he stands sensibly convicted that it is the party of safe, sound conservative principles. He has seen prosperity following its inaugurations as night follows the day. It has fostered the infant industries of the country by throwing around them the strong arm of protection as against the undermining results of pauperized labor of the old world. It advocates the maintenance of gold as the money of the country against all fleeting heresies wrapped up in fluctuating silver and depreciable paper. In all this a service is rendered the country and the people are saved in spite of themselves and for these reasons also the colored voters still elect to stay in the Republican party.

If Roosevelt becomes Governor of New York, then what? It would at least be interesting.

The mining affair at Pana, Ill., is in a very ugly condition, which it is feared will not serve to cement the races in a friendlier relation.

The Negroes of North Carolina have the fight of their lives before them. The Democrats promised them disfranchisement should they succeed in the next election.

Very little is being said about the poem of T. T. Fortune at the unveiling of the Douglass monument. It may be safely set down as a noble effort and an addition to the literature of the period.

The colored people, of Washington, D. C., and Alexandria, Va., headed by Mr. Magnus L. Robinson, editor of the Alexandria, Va., Leader, are doing wonderful work in the effort to raise means to erect a monument to the memory of Hon. John Mercer Langston.—The Daily Recorder, Norfolk, Va.

The effort to perpetuate the memory of Langston is praiseworthy and should be encouraged. He left a distinct impression and a record worthy of emulation.

The negroes have much to thank the Republicans for: Scores of lieutenants, captains and colonels and a major or so is no mean advance when everything is considered should we have fared so well, had the situation been reversed.

Bishop Walters, the president of the new movement having for its object the bettering of the condition of the Negro is a broad viewed, well-seasoned man, who is likely to succeed if it is possible.

A few first class literary societies among the solored people of Indianapolis would be a wholesome adjunct. It is strange that as time advances the necessity of these institutions seem to be on the wane. It is not understood that the people have joined the white societies which people feel the need of them.

Cuba is entitled to a chance at self-government, although she may go to pieces during the experiment, besides she may ask annexation and thus the consent of the governed will be obtained which by the way is the fundamental principal of republics.

To change your vote because it is privilege is very much akin to the abuse of one's privilege. The elective franchise was bestowed as a preservative. It is of the deepest import and not a cheap acquisition that is to be flung up in every gale. The party that succors is the one that man's best interests dictate he should serve.

Some causes for supporting the Republican ticket:

Because nothing is promised by any other party that is intended to relieve the colored man's ills, real or imaginary.

Because the policy of division, because it is possible, is the one and the same with committing suicide, simply because it is possible.

Because the American principle is to join those parties or form new ones that through which redress is to be obtained.

Because as a party it has never inflicted "jim crowism" on any of its citizens for any causes whatsoever.

Because it is not a party of disfranchisement, either by activity or passivity.

Because it has been the main instrument of bringing about the civil liberties, such as are now enjoyed by the colored people.

Because as a party it has not in any way allowed its name to be associated with the mob practices of the South, which is a furtherance of political schemes to beat down race respectability.

Because it is a party of good political morals and high convictions.

Because it is safe and conservative and is not led astray by every false prophet that preaches a new theory.

Because it is not experimenting with and adopting financial fallacies; but is anchored in a bed rock of financial security.

St. Louis is having a remarkable political rumpus. Dr. D. W. Scott and Charles H. Dodge, two colored men of that city, are standing for Congress. Sunday two weeks ago, by a remarkable unanimity of action, every Negro pulpit in the city encouraged and gave support to the Congressional candidates.

The Republicans of Marion County have placed an excellent ticket in the field for the consideration of the voters. The colored voters can take especial pride in supporting these candidates that are fairly pledged to carry out the policy of the present incumbents in maintaining so many of them in positions that are so desirable. The policy dividing the votes because it is a physical possibility are as a mere matter of experiment jeopardizes the numerous positions.

Many colored men find it extremely hard to conceive that other colored men may be better informed than themselves. It is one of the meanest characteristics of the race to cope with. The bitterest pill the average colored man has to swallow is the acknowledgment of the superiority of some other colored man, albeit this superiority is patent to the most casual observer. The surest test of finding able colored men in many communities is to watch the trend of abuse and select the individuals against whom it is lodged. To level tall aspiring heads is the irrevocable fiat.

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Terre Haute, Ind., special.—Miss Tolbert, of Yellow Springs, O., is visiting Mrs. Addie Booth. * * Quite a number of young Terre Hautians attended the Mattoon Street Fair. An excellent time is reported. * * Miss Hodge, of Sullivan, Ind., is visiting in our city. * * Mrs. Combs, of Charleston, W. Va., is in this city and anticipate taking up her abode with us. We extend a sociable hand and a hearty welcome to all such ladies as Mrs. Combs. * * Sunday, October 2, was rally day at Allen Chapel. 11 a. m. the gospel was delivered by their pastor, S. B. Jones; 3 p. m. a wonderful sermon was delivered by Rev. C. H. Percival, of the First Congregational Church, and at night Rev. Mrs. Zola Johnson, of Brazil, the noted female evangelist, of Brazil, Ind., filled the pulpit. * * Monday, October 3, a program of intellectuality was rendered as follows (save a few owing to circumstances): 1. Mandolin Club, Mrs. Louis Lepper, Miss C. Longman, Miss B. Kloer, Miss M. Kloer (city schools), piano accompaniment; 2. Solo, soprano, "Leonora," (Maywood), Miss Minnie Hale, of Crawfordsville; 3. Paper, "The Failure of the Negro Youth to Appreciate Opportunities," Oliver Knight (graduate of Chicago High School); 4. Mandolin selection, E. B. Powell, of Epworth, Ill.; 5. Fancy Indian club swinging, Prof. Louis Lepper (physical culture teacher of city schools); 6. Reading, Miss Ella Burden; 7. Solo, "Sweetest Story Ever Told," Frank Teller, W. Ridgley, piano accompanist. It was a rich treat to those who heard it. * * The Second Baptist Church will give a dramatic cantata Thursday, October 20, at Armory Hall. The public is cordially and earnestly invited. The program will appear in full later on; watch for it. * * The Baptist Young People's Union, under the supervision of R. A. Brown, held its second meeting Sunday since vacation. * * There will be a grand fete at Saulter's Chapel, entitled "Feast in the Wilderness," beginning November 1, continuing until the 5th. * * Rev. M. A. Jones cordially invites the public to his church (Freewill Baptist) and states to them that they have repaired it with parsonage and now can worship and praise God for His assistance. * * The Women's Sewing Circle, under Mrs. Mary Williams, is renewing its covenant and started on a firm basis. * * The Christian Endeavor of the Second A. M. E. Church, under the auspices of Rev. J. W. Henson, is fast increasing in attendance, and extends a beckoning hand to the public. Meet just after Sunday school. * * It is officially reported that Mr. R. Forter, a noted and energetic colored business man of Paris, Ill., has the contracting for building a new gravel road in Lost Creek. * * There will be a new boarding house during the Street Fair at 825½ Main street. Mrs. E. C. Roach, proprietor.

Newsy Notes.

Eufaula, Ala., special.—Mr. L. C. Gardner left last Saturday for St. Louis, Mo., to attend the B. M. C. * * Mr. Willie Conner is a great admirer of The Freeman. * * Bishop H. M. Turner preached at St. Luke A. M. E. Church last Sunday night, notwithstanding the weather. Quite a crowd turned out. Among the number were several white citizens. The choir furnished excellent music. * * Fourteen students will leave Eufaula this term for boarding schools. * * The Young People's Union was largely attended at the First Baptist Church last Sunday evening. The meeting was led by Rev. Pollard.

Notes.

Dyersburg, Tenn., special.—Prof. W. H. White, of Fulton, Ky., the expert stenographer, has organized a class here in shorthand. We highly appreciate the art, for it is a science we have long felt the need of as a race. * * Willie Jones, an exemplary member of the Baptist Church, departed this life. He leaves a wife and child and a host of friends. * * Rev. H. Barnett is improving. * * Rev. M. D. Partee, pastor of the C. M. E. Church, is conducting a revival at his church.

"New York, June 20, 1898.—Editor Indianapolis Freeman—My Dear Sir: Your letter came duly to hand, but found me out of town, and following this letter one day this week you will find a check for one year's subscription for your valuable paper. Yours being a race paper and as you know I am a race man I shall ever sing its praises and do all within my power to further its interests. Thanking you for all past kindness you have shown me, I sign myself yours for the race,

"GUSSIE L. DAVIS."

Miss Winnie Davis.

Miss Winnie Davis, the daughter of the well-known Jefferson Davis, who was president of the Confederate States and who was further distinguished as the "Daughter of the Confederacy," is dead. It would seem that Southern sentiment and its reputed high notions of chivalry would have preserved this famous personage against want and in a manner not repugnant to their sensitive natures. But it appears that the South failed to appreciate the extraordinary circumstances surrounding the ladies, for they claimed that they were compelled to move North in order to engage in profitable literary labor. New York was their chosen field and selected home. The biography of their famous kinsman, Jefferson Davis, it is said, failed to sell in the South, which to them was a source of chagrin and humiliation. This book was prepared by them and it was the most natural thing to expect a ready acceptance in the South. Although born in 1863, she remained single, it is said, to maintain her father's name. The North and the South, in fact all sections, regardless of races, have always had a high regard for Miss Davis, and notwithstanding the unjust pretensions of her father the feeling will not down that something has been wrested from her. She stood a unique character in the history of American women. Had she been a son and had this country not been a republic her very existence would have been a menace to society and thrones. In a republic sentiment would have long ago placed her in the halls of Congress.

Confusion at These Dinners.

In his dining room Sir Joshua Reynolds constantly entertained all the best known men of his time, including Dr. Johnson, Goldsmith, Garrick, Burke, Sterne, Hogarth, Wilkes, Allan Ramsay and a score of others, who formed the brilliant Literary club of which the great painter was the founder. There doubtless in the familiar lines of the author of "Retaliation,"

When they talked of their Raphaels, Correggios and stuff,
He shifted his trumpet and only took snuff.

At these dinner parties, according to Malone, though the wine and the dishes were of the best, there seemed to be a tacit agreement that mind should predominate over body. The table, we are told, though set only for seven or eight, often had to accommodate double that number. There was usually a deficiency of knives, forks and glasses, and the guests had to bawl for more supplies, while the host calmly left every one to shift for himself, though he lost not a word, if he could help it, of the conversation.—London Telegraph.

Appropriate Hymns.

Some people have peculiar notions of what is "appropriate." Some time ago a resident of a neighboring town was preaching at the Gladstone jail and prefaced his remarks by regretting the small attendance. At a race meeting held at — a band was engaged to play "appropriate music," and it was found that the numbers selected were from Moody and Sankey. "Go Bury Thy Sorrow" was one of them, and the others were all equally "appropriate."

Christmas religious service was held at the local jail and hymns suitable to the occasion were of course selected. The first one was "Free From the Law, Oh, Happy Condition," and the last, "We'll Never Leave This Safe Abode, a Refuge In the Time of Storm." The funny side of it all appealed to some of the inmates, and the intended good effect of the service was lost.—Adelaide Quiz.

Bismarck's Intense Hate.

That Prince Bismarck was a good hater is shown in the reminiscences of Herr von Tiedemann, formerly chief of the imperial chancellery. During the first dinner at which Herr von Tiedemann was present with the prince Bismarck said he thought Goethe was wrong in saying that only love beautified life. Hate did the same service and was quite as great a vivifier as love. "To me," added the prince, "are indispensable love for my wife and hate for Windhorst." One morning Bismarck said to Herr von Tiedemann, "I have not been able to sleep, I have hated the whole night."

Domestic Science.

"What do you understand by the department of domestic science?"

"It's where they teach women how to keep their husbands away from the clubs."

Of course the answer was wrong, but they all felt that she ought to go to the head of the class just the same.—Chicago Post.

As late as 1682 squirts or syringes were used for extinguishing fire in England, and their length did not exceed two or three feet, with pipes of leather. Water tight seamless hose was first made in Bethnal Green in 1720.

To show the carelessness of mothers in Great Britain, over 3,000 children are burned to death in the year from their clothing catching fire.

Editor The Freeman:—One of the most appreciated gifts I received this year was the year's subscription of The Freeman, by my son Harry L. Gillam of the "Wrights Nashville Students' Co." and with joy and pleasure it is watched for, received and read with delight. I being an invalid in health, you well may know it is greeted with joy and happiness. The account of the Tuskegee, Ala., conference was read with interest, and left a wish in my heart that I could have been able in health to have been there. With kind wishes also in my heart for the prosperity of the finest Negro journal ever read, The Freeman, I remain yours truly,

Mrs. Georgia E. Gillam,
St. Paul, Minn.,
Formerly of Detroit, Mich.

THE WORLD AT LARGE.

Concluded from First Page.

And yet, on history's pages
His race has made its mark.
Black heroes filled the "crater"
With their bodies stiff and stark.
In honor England holds them,
And rates the Englishman,
With Sikhs and fiery Ghurkas;
The terrors of Soudan.

On many a bloody war path
Through the wild and arid West,
Hot on the murdering hostiles' trail
Our troopers black have pressed,
Though racked by thirst and hunger,
Through scorching days and nights,
Until they've struck their quarry
And avenged the slaughtered whites.

Then do the black race justice;
They're eager for the fray,
And in the reeking Cuban swamps
They yet may save the day—
Firm hands to sight the rifle,
Spite the color of their skin.
Though his hand be white—our eagle
Has black feathers in his wing.
—The Philadelphia Press.

BLACK AND WHITE TOGETHER.

From the banks of the Ohio
Comes the black man's battle song,
Breathing hatred of oppression
And defiance unto wrong.

From the South and West his brothers
Are the first in danger's post
To uphold our country's honor
And defy the Spanish host.

When our fathers fought to free them,
And our Lincoln gave his life,
Did they doubt the cause was worthy
Of the fratricidal strife?

Now we send them to the frontier,
Where we need their valor most,
To uphold our country's honor
And defy the Spanish host.

North and South will stand beside them
In the country's utmost need;
Black and white will fight together
Caring not for race or creed!

And the bravest and the noblest,
They shall be our common boast,
Who uphold our country's honor
And defy the Spanish host.

So content thee, oh, my brother;
Past ungentleness forget.
God will measure souls, not bodies,
And the end—it is not yet!

And the race that bore a Douglass
Can be trusted on the coast
To uphold the country's honor
And defy the Spanish host,
By the faith we bear within us;

By our flag that floats above;
By the danger that surrounds us;
By the brotherhood of love,

Well we know ye will defend us
And ye will not count the cost,
But uphold our country's honor,
And defy the Spanish host!
—From the N. Y. Evening World.

Miss Atelia Cromwell, daughter of Professor Cromwell in Howard University, is a freshman at Smith College, and the first colored woman to enter that institution.

Mr. Joseph Downes, a West Indian of British and African descent, has finished a five-act Greek tragedy, which will be shortly produced in Liverpool, in which he will apear in the charcter of a Carthaginian.

EDWARD ELMORE BROCK.
New York city, Sept. 30, 1898.

Le Moyne Normal Institute begins its twenty-sixth annual session October 3. Prof. A. J. Steele, is principal. The Le Moyne Alumni Assiciation will begin their series of monthly meetings on the second Friday night in October. The President, H. R. Saddler, announces that an interesting series of lectures will be the order of their fall entertainments. The association expects to have many prominent men come here to lecture to them, the object being to raise money for the normal training department.

Vocalists send for the following songs: "The Black Sheep's Friend," "My Sweetheart of Years Ago," "Our Golden Wedding Day," "In the Harbor of Havana," "Sweetheart Mine," "Come Brave Laddies." Instrumental, for band and orchestra leaders—"Fair Bank Schottische," "Odd Fellows' Grand March," "Air Ship Waltz," "St. George Commandery March," "Oklahoma Home to Mother," "Ringlets," "Our Waltz." Price 20 cents per copy, three for 50 cents. Address The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

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ROUTE:

Big Sensation—Jersey City, N. J., Oct. 3-8.

Black Patti Troubadours—Little Falls, N. Y., Oct., 6; Rome, 7; Onedia, 8.

John W. Vogel's Mastodon Minstels—Greensburg, Pa., Oct., 8.

John W. Isham's Octoroons—Troy, N. Y., Oct., 3-5; Albany, 6-8.

Leland Melroy Minstrels—St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 3-8.

Martell's "South Before the War"—Butte, Mont., Oct. 2-8; Anaconda, 10-11; Hamilton, 12; Missoula, 13; Spokane, Wash., 14-15.

Oliver Scott Refined Negro Minstrels—Keokuk, Ia., Oct. 7; Quincy, Ill., 8; Jacksonville, 10; Springfield, 11.

P. T. Wright Nashville Students—Lewiston, Ill., Oct. 6; Taylorville, 10.

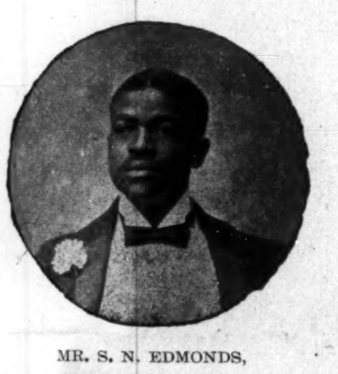
Richards, Pringles, Rusco & Holland's Big Minstrel Festival—

Stetson's Uncle Tom's Cabin—(Geo. M. Forepaugh, man'gr)—Green Bay, Wis., Oct. 10; Marietta, 11; Menominee, 12.

"Trip to Coontown" (Cole & Johnson's)—St. John, N. B., Oct. 10-15.

Williams & Walker's Senegambian Carnival—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 3-8.

Washburn's Double Minstrels—Brownsville, Pa., Oct. 8; Charlivoux, W. Va., 9; Uniontown, Pa., 10.



MR. S. N. EDMONDS,

Author of the following very popular songs which are being used in nine-tenths of the theatrical companies today. "That Will Bring You Back," is being featured by Miss Marie Dressler of the Topsy Turvy Company and a tremendous success. "There are Others Who Don't Think that Way," is being used by the author in Isham's Octoroons and is another grand success. "Honey Can't You Learn to Love Your Baby," is a very sweet lullaby, carying in its peculiar oddity a very natural yet laughable description of the pleading of a little picinny to his dusky sweet-heart and is being used with great effect by Florence Hayward and Mattie Singleton.

MISS DORA PATTERSON,

One of our foremost soubrettes will feature Mr. Edmonds' latest composition, entitled "She's a Member 'the B. O. C P.," and much is expected in the rendition of this number as it is a very swell march song, full of life and ginger and could not be handle more artistically than the manner in which Miss Patterson renders it. For voice, grace style and natural attractiveness on the stage Miss Patterson is beyond a doubt the desired quantity and knows just how to handle a number of this class. Miss Patterson has been connected with the John W. Isham's Octoroons for years and always has a good thing in store for her many admirers.

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"Boe Diddle" write—R. B. Shelton.

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"Ofay" Brooks sends regards to "Snapper" Edmonds.

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John H. Grant sends regards to W. O. Terry.

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J. C. S. Crooms sends regards to J. Ed Green.

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Geo. Page, tenor, closed with the Oliver Scott Minstrels Sept. 28.

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The Wilson Family were at Ferris Wheel Park, Chicago, last week.

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"Old Hoss" James Brown has a successful debut in New York City.

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"Kid" Carter, contortionist and slack-wire artist, was a Freeman caller this week.

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The Dewey Club, of Chicago, is fast becoming the leading headquarters of colored professionals when in that city; they are located at 189 Plymouth Place, with the following officers: Jos. Young, president; Hugh Finney, secretary; and Wm. Lewis, treasurer.

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Oscar Paul, the phenomenal basso, has joined the L. W. Washburn Minstrels.

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Miss Nettie Goff is still amazing her hearers with her trombone solos with "Darkest America."

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Al and Mamie Anderson were big favorites at the Gaiety Theatre, Portland, Me., last week.

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Harry Brown is meeting with much success in New York City, with his crayon and singing specialty.

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During the illness of Miss Garay, Miss Sallie Lee, of "Darkest America" filled her place admirably.

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Johnson & Dean were on the closing bill last week at the Masonic Temple Roof Garden, Chicago.

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Geo. Day, tenor soloist, closed with "Darkest America" at McKeesport, Pa., Guy Hughes filled his place.

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Richard Lewis, tenor soloist, with the Oliver Scott Minstrels, sends regards to Julius Glenn and Wm. Garland.

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Chas. B. Tyler, monologuist with Jno. W. Vogel's combined shows, is one of the big features in the olio.

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Sam Marx's Colored Plantation company are booked to appear at the Portland (Ore.) Industrial Exposition.

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Miss Nettie Paul has been booked to appear at Proctor's Theatre, New York City, the second week in December.

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Clifford D. Brooks, tenor vocalist and versatile comedian, is fast becoming a footlight favorite with "Darkest America" company.

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C. H. Williams, comedian, has closed with the Stewarts, and is now with the Belford Concert company, touring the state of Texas.

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Al F. Watts, of the Nashville Students was presented with a beautiful diamond cluster, on his birthday by his wife Mme Cecil Smith Watts.

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Clark & Miner—Jean and Dick—are still knocking 'em hard in their act with "South Before the War" getting five and six encores nightly.

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Chas. Hunter flute and piccolo player late of Mahara's minstrels has joined Leland Melroys minstrel and sends regards to all friends.

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Miss Lilly Garay, one of the American Chansonettes, with "Darkest America" has been on the sick list for the past week but is now convalescent.

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S. H. Dudley, the imperial comedian, has just completed a new first-part for the Nashville Students, which has greatly improved the program.

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U. S. G. Patterson is certainly making a big hit singing "Let All Obey" and "Good Boy Uncle Sam" which never fail to bring rounds of applause.

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Will Alexander, trap drummer, late of Stickney & Donnan's show, is now with the Washburn's Big Minstrels. He has just returned from South America.

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Henry Austin, Edw. Stewart and H. G. Brown, of Washburn's Minstrels sends best regards to Prof. L. A. Lucas, manager of the Imperial Concert Company. Write care The Freeman.

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James White, Clarence Powell, Billy Miller, Arnie Stevenson and Harry Hart, comedians of the Oliver Scott refined Minstrels, are winning rounds of applause nightly, in their respective turns.

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Harry Prampin, the creole cornetist, has made arrangements to have his wife Laura Prampin, take a course of cornet lessons at the Chicago Conservatory, while he conducts the concert band with the Nashville Students.

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"The Black K. of P." a rag-time march, by Prof. R. N. Thompson, introducing "I Guess that will hold you for a while" is being played with great success by R. N. Thompson's military band with Scott's Negro Minstrels.

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Mr. John A. Milton, our representative with Harry Martell's "South Before the War" writes: "The latest addition to our street parade is six of the finest Monarch bicycles in the market, on which the ladies in their nobby bicycle costumes, are the admiration of all.

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H. G. Brown writes: "I wish to correct a mistake which has appeared in these columns from time to time in regard to the name of Godbow Kersands. The gentleman's name isn't Kersands, it is Billy Godbow. Mr. Godbow is now working on the opposite end to George Titchner with the L. W. Washburn's Minstrels.

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Billy and Mme Cordelia McClain are meeting with tremendous success in the East, producing their new act entitled: "A Coon Confusion," introducing their original cake walk dance "De Allico." Mr. McClain writes: "Our new act is going big. Cordelia had to make a speech last week at our opening; we took five encores and three bows, and went to our dressing-room. I was undressed when the manager came down and said that we would have to go back again, as they wonldn't let the show go on, I told him that I was undressed and he said let your wife go; she went and made her first speech, but that did not satisfy them, I came out in a mackintosh and bowed, afterwhich they let up for a while."

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Lord Bonnie, a member of Williams & Walker's Senegambian Carnival, is very sick in the Good Samaritan Hospital in Cincinnati, O. He taken sick while the company was playing that city. He is a member of the McClain Lodge No. 1, B. O. of C. P., of Indianapolis, Ind.

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The members of "Darkest America" during their engagement at McKeesport, Pa., made a visit to Pittsburg, and were all royally entertained by Mr. Ernest Wagner and members of the Lone Star Quintette of that city. All had an enjoyable time, and after visiting Schenley Park and other places of amusement all went home well pleased wishing for more of Pittsburg.

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Furber & Davis,—Ed and Sam,—the "Black Cyclones," were Freeman callers last. They closed a very successful four weeks engagement with the Bon Ton Burlesquers at the Empire Theatre, this city, last Saturday, and left for New York City. While here they both were initiated into the mysteries of the B. O. of C. P., becoming members of the McClain Lodge No. 1.

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Harry Breckinridge, late of the "Old Kentucky" company, and one Prof. Bristol's best slide trombonists, is now with L. W. Washburn's Double Minstrels. He is one of the strong boys in front, while Major Carr never fails to come up with his side. Mr. Breckinridge is also leading the quartet. He sends regards to Ralph Devine, Bert Grant, and to 726 Kenyon avenue, Cincinnati, O.

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Fred W. Simpson, our special representative with the Oliver Scott Negro Minstrels sends the following: "Business continues to be good and every one is well and enjoying good health. Allie Brown, slack wire artist, had a serious attack of cramps during our stay in Macon, Mo., but Dr. Hailstock with the assistance of a local paysician, soon brought Brown around alright."

RASTUS AND BANKS, (Original Rastus.)

The above cut is an exact likeness of the great acrobatic sketch team which is now making such a tremendous hit throughout the East with the John W. Isham's great Octoroons. The original Rastus needs no particular mentioning as to his experience, knowledge and natural ability in the theatrical profession. Making his debut in the theatrical world some fifteen years past when but quite a youngster. He was taken in the great combination of Symmonds, Hughes and Rastus, and though he was then but eight years old, he was considered by far the cleverest little buck-and-wing, acrobatic dancer in the business. After an experience of some ten or twelve years with the combination of Symmonds, Hughes and Rastus, he dissolved partnership from this great combine in 1892 and worked two seasons in his original acrobatic buck dancing act and was married in '95 to Miss Bessie King of Philadelphia, Pa. They are now connected with the John W. Isham's Famous Octoroons and as an acrobatic sketch team, are second to none. Mrs. Banks as a soubrette, is all that the word implies and when called in the various avenues of the theatrical profession, shows wonderful abilities of natural versatality. Mrs. Banks' ideas are away from all soubrettes and is looked for with much pleasantry by her ever watchful audiences, and after one has considered the abilities of these two great performers and combine them in one big act, who can beat 'em? They are the real thing through the East and are meeting with tremendous success.

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The concert given by Prof. F. M. Hailstock's concert orchestra, of the Oliver Scott Minstrels, was largely attended in Oskaloosa, Ia. Each number on the program was rendered; and the audience showed their appreciation by applauding vigorously. Prof. Hailstock was highly complimented on the efficiency of his orchestra. Lorenzo Tio's clarionet solo was the hit of the afternoon, he being obliged to respond to an encore. At the next concert Mr. Joe Dobbins, cornetist, will be soloist.

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Mr. H. G. Brown, our special representative with the L. W. Washburn's Double Minstrels writes: "Papers were received alright last week. We gave three shows in Wheeling to packed houses. Oscar Paul joined us last week and is making a big hit with his solos in the first-part. Geo. Titchner, our favorite comedian, has arranged and put on his new Sugar Grinders' knockabout song and dance; it is made of the following well-known artists: Geo. Titchner, Lonnie Crosby, Albert Bailey and Harry Breckinridge. This dance is a decided hit at each performance."

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Miss Josephine Norris, idle of the John W. Isham's Octoroons came over from New York to Chester, Pa., to visit her old associates and bid them all a hearty farewell. Miss Norris is a soprano of excellence and has for sometime been identified in the musical world. She left Saturday, Oct. 1st, for Hamburg, Germany, where she will open another course of music, studying particularly the operas. May success be her every achievement are the wishes of her many friends.

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Edw. O. Green and Harry Prampin, our special representatives with the Nashville Students, writes: "The company camped at Peoria and after the entrenchments were made the enemy was routed and the Nashville Students' banner was raised, waving gloriously over the city. After the bombardment E. O. Green, (Gen. Shafter) and Harry Prampin (Admiral Schley) got their men in line and marched to camp, awaiting the seige of Memphis. Hampton & Johnson wishes to inform Admiral Bailey that though they are not with his squadron "they fought for the cause they thought was right." Dudley & Harris are creating a sensation with their new act. Hampton and Johnson, the "musical kings" are scoring a great hit nightly, in their latest craze "Honolulu Dance." Mrs. Anna Stewart, mezzo soprano, has just introduced a new and very difficult solo, attaining high E at the ending with ease. The program of Harry Prampin's concert band consists of a cornet solo by himself; trombone solo, E. O. Green; baritone solo by Mr. McQuitty; tuba solo by John Stewart, and William Tell, and other overtures. Regards to B.O.C.P.

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J. Ed Green, our representative with the Richards, Pringles, Rusco and Holand's Minstrels, sends the following San Marcos, Tex.,: "Despite a swell affair in the form of a wedding among the colored aristocracy, the house was packed to the door at San Antonio, and from the burst of applause they must have enjoyed the performance. The gun club had their usual shoot on the 28th which resulted as follows: Five pigeons each: Stokes, 2; Burns, 2; Terry, 3; Woods, 5; second series: Burns, 2; Stokes, 2; Terry, 4; Woods, 4. B. Glenn closed at Cureo, and will return to Galveston. Hasson Ben Alis troupe of Arabs scored a big hit at San Antonio and Austin, S. E. Dodd has arranged his Omaha two-step for piano and will publish same. Bobbie Kemp, Texas' favorite minstrel will introduce the swell song, entitled "A Red Hot Member of the Warm Society." written by James Crosby and J. Ed. Green. P. A. Woods will soon be on the list of instrumental soloist as he is working very faithful on a difficult baritone solo. The Kersands—Billy & Louisa are still scoring big hits nightly with "Who Dat Said Chicken in Dis Crowd?" Emmit Davis, the eccentric comedian met us at San Antonio and enjoyed the show and visit of old comrades. James Crosby the "Sunburnt Boy" is still demonstrating "That He Doesn't Like No Cheap Man." Miss Lizzie Hardin, assistant of the "funny little coon" Dan Avery, is a big favorite and is making a wonderful success with "He Cerr'ny was Good to Me". Gauze continues to keep them wondering. Harry Fidler, the boy of impersonations, is the man of the hour.

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Notes from the Leon W. Washburn Double Minstrels: The Knox Bros. (white) are a special feature in the olio. Our concert band never fails to entertain the number of people that gather in front of the opera house to hear the superb concert selections. It is under the leadership of Prof. Wegan, who was selected by Manager J. M. Wall from among the best musicians of Cincinnati, Ohio.

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The Wheeling (Va.) Intelligencer, in a recent issue said: "Mr. John Rucker, known all over the United States and Canada as the Alabama Blossom, is incomparable in his new monologue, never failing to receive four encores nightly. His impersonation of Uncle Amos Jackson, the aged darky in 'Darkest America,' is absolutely the finest piece of character work seen in our city since the early days of Milt G. Barlow. His make-up is original and true to nature, and connected with his natural ability places him par excellence as a versatile performer and undisputed star."

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Lorenzo Tro, ex-clarionetist of Richard, Pringle, Rusco and Holland's Minstrels, now with Oliver Scott's Colorder Minstrels, would like to inform all of his friends in the profession that Prof. Louis Tro, clarionet virtuoso with Prof. Henderson Smith's $10,000 band, taught him, and is proud to return honor to his brother and Professor; also proud to be a chip off the old block. Much credit is due Prof. Henderson Smith in securing such a good man under his efficient leadership. He says: "Brother, I wish you much success. Regards to Henderson Smith, W. O. Terry, Clarence Jones and all friends."

J. HARRY JACKSON.

Personals.

Chattanooga, Tenn., special.—The late elocutionary contest at the Warren Chapel A. M. E. Church was pronounced by all to be the richest event of the season. The church was filled to overflowing, standing room being at a premium, and many had to be turned away. The favorites sustained themselves admirably. Several of the contestants surprised the audience. First prize, a gold medal, was won by Miss Beatrice L. Stallon, who spoke "Mad Mag" to the delight of all. Miss Mattie Boiseau won the second prize, a copy of Lowell's poems. Money donations were also presented Miss Boiseau by several in the audience. Miss Mary Hawkins came in for third honors. Miss Boiseau spoke "The Maniac." Miss Hawkins recited the "Miser." The following were the judges: Revs. C. H. Trusty and C. W. Abbington, Mrs. Lula Lapsley, Misses Mattie Jackson and Florence N. Day. * * Rev. G. W. Parks, of the Baptist Church, presented the first prize with a neat speech. Rev. E. J. Smith handed the second prize to the winner with appropriate remarks. The Arion Society, a musical club, is preparing to give a grand concert in a few days. They always draw a large audience. The best musical talent in the city comprise the membership of this society. * * A drama, "As You Like It," is being prepared for rendition at the First Baptist Church soon. The young people of A. M. E. Church will soon render a play also. * * The Daughters of Conference of Warren Chapel gave a "pink tea" on the 4th. Beautiful invitation cards, bearing the pastor's likeness, are being distributed. The entertainment is given complimentary to the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. A. Jones. * * All the Methodist preachers are preparing for conference. * * Mr. W. L. Miller, formerly of Columbia, Tenn., was in the city last week. * * Rev. Dr. R. M. Cheeks, editor of the Southern Christian Recorder, Atlanta, Ga., passed through the city last week and spent a few hours with Dr. T. W. Haigler. He was quite feeble. * * A banquet was given by the Ladies Plaides Chamber, K. of W. M., in honor of Dr. O. W. James, supreme archon, on the 22d ult. It was a brilliant affair. * * Dr. J. A. Jones acted as master of ceremonies. Rev. R. J. Buckner delivered the welcome address. Mr. J. L. Frierson acted as toast master.

Personal Mention.

Dayton, O., special.—P. W. Adams, LL.D., of Nashville, Tenn., was the guest of Miss Mamie Jones, of Mound street, last week. * * Miss Annie Patterson has the latest millinery goods at 317 Washington street. * * Mrs. Nichols, of Richmond, Ind., was the guest of Mrs. D. Shafer last week. * * Master Harry Brown has recovered from his long illness. * * Rev. D. E. Bass has returned from Dark County. * * Harry Brooks, a member of the Tenth Cavalry, is home on a thirty-days' furlough. * * Mrs. Clark, of Chicago, was two weeks the guest of Mrs. Rosa Broders, in Baxter street. Mr. W. T. Smith spent a pleasant week in Springfield, O. * * Misses Stores, Rankin, Hodges and Mrs. Mitchell, of Cincinnati were the guests of Mrs. Jas. Stine, in Meed street, Sunday. * * Mrs. C. A. Mitchell, of 230 Maple street, is prepared to accommodate all comers. * * Copies of The Freeman at White's barber shop, 212 West Main street, ever ySaturday.

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B. SQUARE'S BLUSTER

If we tried half as hard to help one another up hill as we do to push one another down hill, we would be, in the language of Uncle Noah Batxer, "a grate pepill." Alas! theory is theory and facts are facts; the facts of the matter are, we do not help one another to progress; we place barriers in the way of the grogressive Negro be he a common laborer anxious to get a dollar more for his week's toil or a "great," "big," "professor," "D. D.," "Rev." "Dr.," "Lawyer," or (beg pardon, gentle reader) "great" author, like the writer.

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After sober reflection, I have concluded it is not our fault; it is a part of our inborn makeup, like the color of our skins, for which we can not be held responsible. For generations we were taught to watch one another and pull one another down, and for generations it will be hard to get out of our blood the conclusion, "I'se jess as good as dat nigger ef I'se yaller or got no educatshun." Still, I must say, I am somewhat—or, in fact, greatly—surprised, not at "the masses," but at "the classes." The educated Afro-Americans who pose as advance "leaders" (?) editors (for example, Brother Hacked-all-up-and-kilt, of the editor of the Denver (Colo.) Townsman—beg pardon, Statesman. Still, I hope, "there'll come a time some day" when "my people" will be like other people. I know I will be dead and gone, likewise my son and grandson; still, I know the time will come. God speed the same, is my prayer.

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Once more: Why is it that we will not patronize colored merchants and small shopkeepers whose goods and prices are just the same as the "poor white trash" who keeps stores?

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Why is it we have so many "national" (??!!) conventions, and so few, oh, very few, results therefrom?

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Why is it not just as easy to give an old chum ten cents to get a beef stew as it is to "blow in" $10 with him for rum?

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Why is it, young man or young woman, that you do not now and then, since you have been "up here Norf'," send a few dollars "down home" to help your poor old father or mother or both, instead of throwing away all of your hard-earned pennies upon dress, balls and parties? (Six weeks for reply.)

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Why is it that some of our alleged "rich" Negroes do not emulate our white friends (and foes) of wealth and build factories or open stores and give employment to our colored girls and young men, instead of letting their supposed wealth rust in the banks?

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Why is it, with all our many faults and shortcomings (including those of "Hon." "A. B. C. D." Taylor), we are, as a race, marching onward and upward?

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Once more: Why is it you have not paid your subscription to The Freeman? This is the most important "why is it" of the lot.

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Why is it that The Freeman is the greatest race paper? This is not a "hard one," still I will answer it for you. It is because, first, it is the only Negro newspaper in which you can express your opinion without the fear of the blue pencil. Through its columns you can "cuss' the editor, find fault with his editorials or the general make-up of the paper; second, you can find fault with its great staff of correspondents (among whom—beg pardon, I am one), you can give your great "advanced" views to the public without the fear of the same being waste basketed; third, The Freeman has the largest circulation of any Negro newspaper; fourth, it has the greatest circulation; it has paid readers in every known part of the globe where civilized black men reside.

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The lover of Negro romance (wherein the Negro is the hero) and the critic of the same, are both hereby respectfully informed that another story from my pen will shortly appear in these columns. Keep your eyes open!

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Express your opinion through The Freeman about the proposed convention of Negro voters of the United States to form a "Negro political party," as outlined by Mr. Giles.

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What has become of Brock's "World at Large" and his "Literary Leaves"? What has become of certain female literary writers (of national repute) for the New York Age? What will become of the Negro American citizen?

B. SQUARE.

A Much Mourned Mother.

When Shafter was senior colonel of the army, he was temporarily in charge of some western post and numbered in his command an exceedingly bright, capable fellow whose cleverness was continually getting him the noncommission stripes and whose escapades were just as frequently getting him reduced to the ranks. One day this soldier turned up at Shafter's quarters with a long face and applied for leave to attend the funeral of his mother, who had died the previous night, he said, in the town. The request was granted, but later on, in looking over the same records, the colonel discovered that the same man had been granted leave the month before on the identical pretext. Shafter said nothing, but a couple of days afterward encountered the bereaved warrior on parade ground. "Look here, my man," said Pecos Bill solemnly, "I want to ask you a question. Were you good to that mother of yours while she was alive?"

"Well, sir—yes, sir—that is, I hope so," stammered the culprit, not knowing what was coming.

"I hope so. too," replied the colonel. "I've heard of mothers dying for their sons, but never of one dying twice in 30 days for one. You may go in mourning for a month—at the guardhouse."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Eye Massage.

Whenever your organs of sight feel weak, do not claw at them with the knuckles, so to express it. You must not massage your eyes the same way you would the stronger parts of the body. They need help from the hands, but this help must be administered in a very gentle and delicate method.

John Quincy Adams had a way of treating his eyes, which, it is said, preserved their vision to old age, without the help of spectacles.

This was to place his thumb and forefinger each upon an eyelid and gently rub them toward the nose a number of times each day. The action encourages circulation of blood in that locality, does away with the tiny spots that sometimes float before the vision and prevents that flattening of the lenses which causes dimness of sight at a certain focus.

It is wonderful how much good can be done the eyes of people of all ages by using this simple exercise 10 or 15 minutes each day.

If you are where it may not be convenient to measure time, as in the dark, it is well to count the number of passes made by the fingers over the eyes until you have reached the number that you have demonstrated by experiment that time will allow.—New York Ledger.

Her First Order.

She was newly married and did not know a little bit about either housekeeping or shopping, and she was giving her very first order. It was a crusher, but the grocer was a clever man and was used to all kinds of orders and could interpret them easily.

"I want ten pounds of paralyzed sugar," she began, with a businesslike air.

"Yes'm. Anything else?"

"Two cans of condensed milk."

"Yes'm."

He set down "pulverized sugar" and "condensed milk."

"Anything more, ma'am?"

"A bag of fresh salt. Be sure it's fresh."

"Yes'm. What next?"

"A pound of desecrated codfish."

He wrote glibly "desiccated cod."

"Nothing more, ma'am? We have some nice horse radish just in."

"No," she said. "It would be of no use to us. We don't keep a horse."

Then the grocer sat down and fanned himself with a patent washboard, although the temperature was nearly zero.—New York World.

Kirmess.

In some portions of Germany the kirmess, or church mass, formerly danced in honor of the dedication of a church, is now observed with the special character of a harvest home. It marks the close of the year's labors and is celebrated by three days of music, feasting and dancing with partners chosen or allotted, according to degrees of comeliness, at the preceding May festival.

In southern Germany the end of the harvest is marked by the sickle feast. The last sheaf is carried in triumph to the barn and placed on the floor, while the younger couples dance around it. One half of it is then decked with ribbons and hung aloft, while the other half is burned. Its ashes are treasured as a remedy for rheumatism and are sometimes used in making amulets or charms. The peasants leave for Wodan, or "the old one," a few ears of corn and a small number of apples, it being considered unlucky to strip either field or tree entirely bare.—Lippincott's.

Letters and Trade.

The London Daily News notes the affinity between letters and trade. Charles Lamb and Mill used to adorn the old India House. Austin Dobson, Gosse and Cosmo Monkhouse are in the board of trade. Benjamin Kidd and W. M. Rossetti used to be at Somerset House. Dante Gabriel Rossetti narrowly escaped at one crisis in his career being a telegraph clerk instead of an artist. The postoffice absorbed for many years the superfluous energies of Anthony Trollope.

His Last Chance.

"Did you ever notice," said Mrs. N. Peck, "that about half of the pictures in the photographers' windows are of bridal couples? I wonder why they always rush off to a photographer as soon as the knot is tied?"

"I fancy the husband is responsible for it," said Mr. Peck. "He realizes that it is about his last chance to ever look pleasant."—Pearson's Weekly.

Twenty-nine sheep introduced into the Australian colonies in 1788 are now represented by 120,000,000 of the finest wool sheep in the world.

THE NAMING OF JOHN BULL.

Dr. Arbuthnot Was the Man Who Thus Dubbed Great Britain.

Dr. John Arbuthnot, one of the many royal physicians to whom the Scotch city of Aberdeen has given birth, was the author of John Bull's being. Almost forgotten now by all but the erudite, who remember him as the intimate of Pope and Swift, Arbuthnot christened the British nation in bulk as John Bull in the political strife incidental to the dismissal of the Whig ministry of 1710, when the able and avaricious Marlborough saw the beginning of the decline of his brilliant fortunes.

"The History of John Bull" was a satire on the political events preceding the treaty of Utrecht in 1713, written by Arbuthnot. In 1704 he had been created physician extraordinary to the queen in recognition of his services in saving the life of Anne's husband, Prince George of Denmark. He had become the queen's medical attendant, a position of no mean importance at a time when so much depended on the succession to the crown, and he was closely in touch with court life.

"For the better understanding of the following history the reader ought to know that Bull in the main was an honest, plain dealing fellow, choleric, bold and of a very inconstant temper. He dreaded not old Lewis, either at backsword, single falchion or cudgel play, but then he was very apt to quarrel with his best friends, especially if they pretended to govern him. If you flattered him, you might lead him like a child. John's temper depended very much on the air; his spirits rose and fell with his weather glass.

"John was quick and understood his business very well, but no man alive was more careless in looking into his accounts or more cheated by partners."—New York Herald.

POWER IN OUR POWDER.

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"For example, I may cite the Oregon's 13 inch rifles. Five hundred and fifty pounds of powder in these guns impart to an 1,100 pound shot a velocity of 2,100 feet per second, and the energy of the projectile is nearly 34,000 foot tons. This power is sufficient to lift such a vessel as the Oregon eight feet out of the water.

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"And absolute accuracy is—what?"

"The millionth part of a second."—San Francisco Call.

The Troubles of a Prophet.

"How hit happen, Brudder Johnsing, dat yo' dun quit preachin down in Alabamy a'reddy?"

"W'y, my ch'ch quit payin tenshun to ennything I say an dun shet off my salary."

"Dey mus' be mighty bad lot o' brotherin an sisterin down dar."

"No, dey hain't so pow'ful bad, but after I went to profisyin I lost all manner o' control o' the entire gang."

"Dat so?"

"Yaas, you see I dun bin profisyin 'bout whut comin to pass an whut gwine to happen to all dem mean niggers whut wudden pay de preacher, an kollections wuz jest comin in fine twell one day de sisterin ax me whut kind o' weather we gwine to hab fur de possum supper festiful, an I tell um hit sho will be de fines' sort, fer bekase I wuz mighty hongry an wanted de supper to sho cum off. But, suh, hit rained an sleeted an cum two er three skykoons, an den I seed my 'fluence wid my way'ard brudderin wuz sholy busted. De salary kollections tuck de drags, an no matter how I exhausted my flock ner how I profisyed dey wuz sho fer de blazin lake, dey jest sot dar an laffed at me an wuddent pay me nurry red cent ner gin me de turkey dinner, ner nuthin."—Atlanta Journal.

Boxing a Bride's Ear.

In Lithuania, a province of Russia, it is customary that the bride's ears should be boxed before the marriage ceremony No matter how tender hearted the mother may be she always makes it a point of administering a hearty smack to her daughter in the presence of witnesses, and a note is made of the fact. The mother's intention is a kind one, though the custom itself is bad. The reason for it is to protect the bride should her marriage prove an unhappy one. In that case she will sue for a divorce, and her plea will be that she was forced into the marriage against her will, and on that score the verdict of the judge will be in her favor.

His Style of Riding.

Gambrel—Oh, I've seen worse riders than you, but why do you jump up and let in daylight between yourself and the horse at every step?

Snaffle—That's all you know about it. I don't rise from the horse. He drops down from me. I keep right in the same position all the time.—Boston Transcript.

The Michigan Representative serves notice on Republican candidates that it will not suport any of them who are not in favor of doing what is right by the Afro-American. It claims that the time has gone by when promises will suffice.—The Helena Progress, Helena, Ark.

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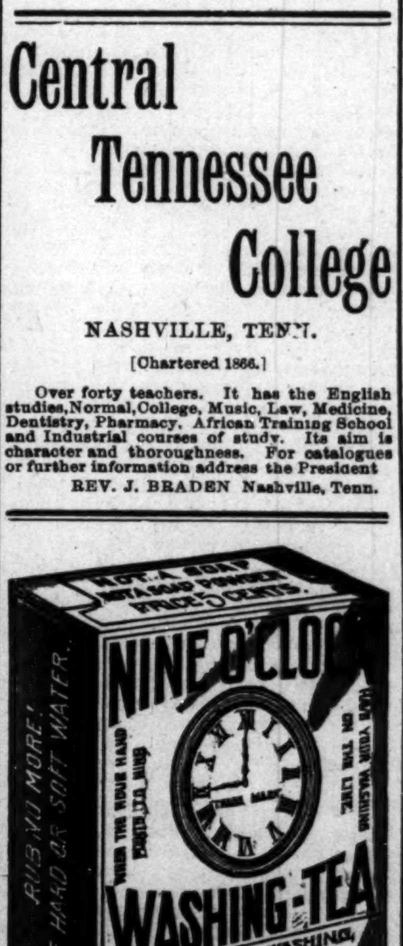

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The stern old Boers, when they had Jameson and his fellow officers in their hands, determined to execute the leaders of the band at daybreak. The meeting took place in President Kruger's house, 20 being present, of whom the great majority, wild with indignation at the sudden inroad into their territory, were for shooting the British officers at once.

President Kruger opposed this summary plan and used all his eloquence and all his influence on behalf of the prisoners. For a long time his efforts were vain. It was 4 o'clock in the morning, and the president's opponents were still for execution. The lives of the foreigners hung by a thread.

At length General Joubert, one of the few who agreed with the president, had recourse to the old time Boer method of convincing his hearers. He made use of a parable.

"Friends," he said, "will you not listen to my voice once more? Suppose that close to my farm lives a bad neighbor who keeps fierce hounds in his house, worrying my sheep exceedingly and also killing some. What, then, would you have me to do? Should I kill the hounds to be free of this worry? Truly my neighbor would say unto me: 'Thou hast killed my hounds, yet their value is greater than the value of your sheep. Pay thou me!' Is it not better that I should take the hounds and going into my neighbor's house say, 'These are thine; now pay me for the harm they have done my flock?' "

There was silence, and the general continued: "We have caught the pack. Is it not better to send them to the British government with demands for reparation, lest the British send more hounds to worry us anew?"

The old form of argument proved successful. The wisdom of moderation became apparent, and the council of war accepted the advice of their chiefs.

SERVANTS' EXCUSES.

One Woman Who Was Clever Enough to Circumvent Them.

We have heard the story of the Canadian mistress who, with seven servants in her house, was obliged to go to the garden and pick berries for the table. Each of the servants declined the task with the stereotyped excuse, "It ain't my place to pick berries." Ord, in his "History of Cleveland," relates an anecdote of Margaret Wharton, who, while accepting her servants' excuse, yet made them do her will.

In one of her visits to Scarborough Mrs. Wharton, with her usual economy, had a family pie for dinner, which she directed the footman to convey to the bakehouse. This the man declined to do as not belonging to his place, or rather, as derogatory to his consequence. The lady then moved the question to the coachman, but found a still stronger objection.

To save the pride of both Mrs. Wharton resolved to take the pie to the shop herself. She ordered one man to harness and bring out the horses and the other to mount and ride behind, and thus the errand was done with all honor and ceremony. Then in due time the coachman was ordered to put to a second time and the footman to mount behind, and Mrs. Wharton brought back the pie in the same dignified state.

"Now," said the lady to the coachman, "you have kept your place, which is to drive, and you yours," to the footman, "which is to wait, and I mine, which is to have my pie for dinner."

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She Loves Birds.

The dowager empress of China is devoted to birds of all kinds, and innumerable bird pets are kept about the palace. She is reported to have wept copiously about the death of a favorite nightingale not along ago. Upon being told of a Chinese girl who had complained bitterly of the dreariness of life this exalted lady remarked sagely that a woman ought to take so much pride in her home that it could be a heaven to her, adding, "There are always birds and flowers." She is a clever artist and delights in painting from nature.

Can't Hold America Down.

"Why, sir," said the geologist, "the ground you walk on was once under water."

"Well," replied the friend, who is nothing if not patriotic, "it simply goes to show you can't hold America down."—Washington Star.

A southern man says that the difference between yellow fever and dengue fever is that when one has the former he is afraid he will die and when the latter attacks him he is fearful that he will not.

According to the latest statistics, the population of Greece is increasing more rapidly than that of any other country—namely, at the rate of 1.87 per cent per annum.

No One Stopped the Stage.

The morning after the assassination of President Lincoln the telegraph operator of a small town in Ohio read a passing dispatch which conveyed the sorrowful information to him. This speedily spread through the surrounding country, and at 11 o'clock, when the mail train was due, nearly 100 men had congregated to buy a morning paper.

As a matter of course not a single paper remained, and all were in despair, until some one remembered that the postmaster was a regular subscriber, and that the mail bag must contain a morning newspaper addressed to him.

The coveted paper found, the aged postmaster proceeded to read to the people who had crowded into the long store the details of the murder. In the crowd stood a very patriotic but ignorant old man, who was ever making pertinent suggestions.

The voice of the reader faltered more than once as he read the account, now so familiar to all Americans. Finally he reached the point where it was said of Booth that he "shrieked out 'Sic semper tyrannis,' leaped on the stage and made his escape."

Throwing his old poke hat upon the floor, the patriotic old man lifted his hand aloft and shouted:

"Good gracious! Why didn't somebody have sense enough to stop the stage?"—Chicago Chronicle.

The Innocence of Childhood.

As the tour de force of an entertainment once given at an English country house it was arranged that the children should present an original play, to be entirely written and acted by themselves. The play turned out to be surprisingly well written and would have won much praise but for the ending. This was the story of the play:

A gallant knight joined the brave King Richard in one of his crusades in Palestine. Nothing having been heard from him for more than seven years, the conviction was forced on his faithful wife that he was dead. The villain came to her and wanted her to marry him, but at the critical moment the knight reappeared and clasped in his arms his lady, who had never ceased to love him. Then explanations came, and he told of his many noble achievements. "In short, dear wife," said he, "I have never been idle an instant."

"And I, too, my lord, have not been idle," she said with pride. "See!" And here she led out before the electrified audience four lovely children to be presented for the first time to their father.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Valuable Record.

When the furniture of Charles James Fox, the famous English orator and statesman, was sold by auction, there was among the books a copy of the first volume of Gibbon's Roman history.

It appeared by the title page that the book had been presented by the author to Fox, but no considerations of sentiment deterred the recipient from writing on the fly leaf this anecdote:

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Fond of Crab.

A jolly old boy from the Midlands entered into one of the hotels at the seaside and seeing on the slab on the right a crab dressed on the shell with legs, claws and parsley ranged round, said to the landlord:

"What d'ye call that?"

"Crab," was the answer.

"Looks good. I'll have un, and gie us a pint of ale."

Bread and butter was added and the diner left to his dinner. In about an hour the genial landlord entered the dining saloon to see if his guest was getting on all right. He found him chawing up the last claw, the chawer red in the face, but beaming.

"Like the crab, sir?"

"Yes. He was capital. I never tasted one afore, but I think you baked un a little too long. The crust was hard. Let's have another pint."

He had eaten the lot—shell, claws and all complete.—London Tit-Bits.

Failed to Tempt Her.

Clerk—Talk about closefisted men! Why, that woman just going out at the door could give any man I ever saw cards and spades.

Floorwalker—Oh, it's a woman's nature to haggle over prices, you know.

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Supposition.

Customer—I thought I told you to paint me sitting on the piazza of my house. You've painted the piazza all right, but there's nobody on it.

Artist—Of course not. The painting represents an afternoon view. The sun would then be on the front of the house, and of course you wouldn't be sitting in the sun. The picture is true to art and to nature. You are supposed to be sitting on the back stoop.—Boston Transcript.

Occasion For Haste.

"I am the wrong man," protested the wretched creature they were getting ready to hang.

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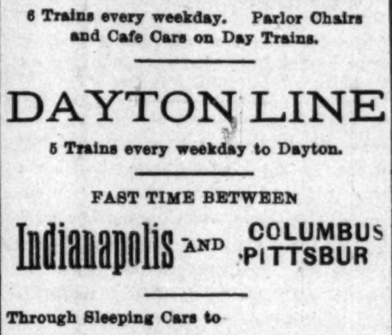

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Dr. M. A. Majors, of Decatur, Ill., who is prominent as a man of letters as well as in his profession was in the city last week. It is very likely that the medical profession may have an addition some time in the future, for the doctor is very favorably impressed with the city.

Miss Edith J. Sutton, of this city will go to Newport, R. I., from Cincinnati to visit friends.

Mr. Steadman Smith, formerly of Athens, Ga., and Miss Emma J. Lively, of New Albany, Ind., were married on the evening of Oct. 1, Dr. S. A. Elbert officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are residing at 534 Roanoke street.

Messrs. Henry Anderson and "Kid" Carter were callers at The Freeman office this week.

Daniel D. Hunter, formerly of Louisville, Ky., has taken service in The Freeman composing rooms.

Miss Bessie Glenn of this city is spending a pleasant time among the hills and colleges of Tennessee. She is putting in her time for the present at Indian College, Trousdale county, Tenn.

"Heroism of the Negro in the Spanish-American War" will be the subject of Rev. A. L. Murray's discourse Oct. 20, at Simpson Chapel.

Mrs. Ella DeMar has applied for a divorce from Walter DeMar in Judge McMaster's Court by Attorney J. T. V. Hill.

Rev. J. W. Carr returned Monday from Kansas City where he was in attendance at conference.

Thomas Jefferson has returned from Chicago.

Lulu Haddox Davidson will re-open her night school on the 10th inst.

Arthur Williams, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Williams 316 W. Tenth street who was seriously injured on the Lake Erie & Western railroad is slowly improving.

Hear Rev. Murray at Simpson Chapel Oct. 20th.

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D. Yocum, headwaiter of the Doxey, of Anderson and Miss Dooley, of Minneapolis, Minn., also Miss Jennie White, of Muncie were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Kelley recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Minter entertained quite handsomely Saturday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Smiley, of Chicago, who are guests of Prof. and Mrs. Hart. Among those entertained were Dr. and Mrs. Elbert, Rev. and Mrs. White, Rev. and Mrs. Blackshear, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Jones, Mrs. John Sweeney, Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. Bern Fisher, Mrs. Hart and Mrs Manning.

It is a treat to hear Lulu Haddox Davidson recite once more. Her eloquence won the hearts of many at the concert given at the Shiloh Baptist Church last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Henry Moore entertained Mrs. Smiley, Mrs. Henry Hart's guest with a 5 o'clock tea Wednesday. The guests were Mesdames A. E. Manning, Dr. Elbert, B. Fisher, Bass, Williamson and Henry Hart.

The "Soldiers' Aid" a club organized in the interest of the two colored companies is meeting with earnestness. Medicines of which they are in need will soon be sent. A few days ago before medicine could be procured a distance of ten miles had to be traveled. Next meeting at the residence of Mrs. S. A. Coleman 1024 N. Senate avenue. All ladies are invited to join and help in this enterprise.

Miss Letitia Bess who has been spending the summer in Terre Haute, will return home this month.

Mrs. John Hale, of Crawfordsville, Ind., was shopping in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. Woodard Stewart, of Noblesville, Ind., was in the city Tuesday.

Rev. Charles E. Minor and Miss Estelle May Alexander, daughter of Rev. J. H. Alexander, were married Sept. 28, at Wabash, Ind.

One of the prettiest evening parties of the season was given last Wednesday by a number of well-known society ladies at the beautiful residence of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Morgan in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smiley, of Chicago, guests of Prof. and Mrs. Henry Hart. Miss Claude Walker presided at the punch bowl; music was furnished by Taylor's orchestra.

The Juvenile choir of Bethel desire commendation for their excellent singing last Sunday morning.

Edward Brown, one of the heroes of the great battle of Santiago de Cuba, has arrived home safe on a 30-days furlough.

Mr. Thomas Morton and wife have returned from a fifteen-days' visit in Washington, D. C., visiting Mr. Morton's mother, sister and brothers whom he has not seen in 26 years. Eddie Walker, his grand-son returned with him

Clark's cafe at 419 Indiana avenue, gives the best service in city. Give him a call.

Mrs. Ella Henderson entertained in honor of her mother, Mrs. Martha Taylor and Jane Saunders, of Lexington, Ky., Friday evening, Sept. 30th., at her residence, 837 Minerva st.

Geo. L. Knox attended the reunion of his regiment at Westfield, Ind., Wednesday.

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Jones Tabernacle Notes.

After a pleasant trip to St. Louis, and I can truely say we had a grand conference, it excelled any the sittings of the Missouri conferences. The connection was well represented by several of our general officers and others who added much in making our conference a success.

This is my fifth year and I must say that I was never received more gladly by the people. The Sunday-school bid me welcome with an address prepaired and read by little Ollie Ecton and the Christian Endeavor welcome by little Rosie Todd, and the members of the church are showing their appreciation to have me the fifth year by their willingness and interest in the work. Indications for success this year are flattering.

At our call quarterly conference, harmony and peace prevailed and plans were laid for work, and the best of all, the members are falling in line. Last Thursday night we had a large class and Brother Thomas Poole seemed very happy because he had the largest class.

The Dorcas Circle met last Thursday week at Mrs. Mary Allen's 529 Agnes street. They had two joiners and elected officers for the year and formed plans for the year's work. Officers elected are as follows: Mrs. S. Edson, president; Mrs. Jane Thompson, vice-president; Miss Annie Parmer, secretary; Mrs. Bell Moxley, assistant secretary; Mrs. Bettie Ward, treasurer. Board of Directors are: Mesdames Mary Allen, Annie Poole, Lizzie Broomfield, Lucy Spratt and Bettie McKay.

Club No. 1, Brother Frank Wells, captain, will hold a meeting and social at the residence of Brother B. C. Bowes 519 North street, Wednesday, Oct. 12th. All friends are invited.

"Swamp Angel on the Wing"

Last Sunday evening I attended services at one of our most prominent churches, but very sorry to say that I was compelled to witness the same disgusting scene which I have oftimes before mentioned in this column.

Some of our prominent young society ladies and their rude actions in the house of the Lord.

Now! Girls, it has not been my intention to criticise you when you try to be ladies and act accordingly, but when you don't, and I find it out, you surely will hear from me.

You are old enough to know better.

In fact, some of you go to church only for the purpose of meeting your sweetheart and do other mischeif that you should not be guilty of.

The passing of notes, talking, giggling pinching, etc., during the service in a house of worship, is some things that should not be.

I also noticed that very few of you remained for the benediction.

Our chief mission is to develop, not to devour.

It is about time for some of our ministers of the gospel to learn that the religious life and character of the people are effected by the conduct of a minister as well as by his words.

Home life is the foundation of all social, moral and religious life. Without good homes we cannot have good society.

On to Chickamanga!!

Married men as a rule do not lie from from choice, but their wives will persist in asking such foolish questions.

Good Government Club.

W. W. Holland, one of the founders of the Young Men's Sunday Club, was born in Camden, N. J., in 1864. He attended the schools of Camden, graduating in 1886. He has filled some very prominent positions in life, one of which was clerk in the Sixth Auditor's Office, Treasury Department, in 1878, in Washington, D. C. He went to Chicago in 1880 and entered business college, then entered the Kent College of Law, graduating with high honors, after

which he practiced in that city, but not meeting with success he came to our city about three months ago and was admitted to the bar. Mr. Holland was married to Miss Cox, of Boston, Mass., in 1891, and has one little girl. Mr. Holland takes a great interest in the upbuilding of the Afro-American race and believes that they should unite in one solid phalanx, with the intent to do business and be selfsustaining.

Card of Thanks.

The ladies having in charge the entertainment given at the Presbyterian church, to raise means with which to purchase woolen underwear for the inmates of the Alpha Home, desire to thank the public for its very flattering support of their effort and especially those who by selling tickets and other means rendered the committee valuable aid and enabled them to realize the neat sum of $46.66.—Forty-six dollars and sixty-six cents after all their expenses were paid.

Bethel Notes.

Mr. Collins has gotten his Junior choir together again and they furnished excellent music last Sunday morning.

The large congregation last Sunday evening enjoyed a rare treat in the order of service and the grand music rendered by the superb choir. Special features were the duet by Mrs. Lenier and Miss Stewart, accompanied by the organ and violin, and the solo by Mr. Collins accompanied by the organ and trombone. These were most exquisitely rendered and the full chorus were grand beyond description. The new order gives more time for music, and this will be a special feature every Sunday evening from 7:00 to 8:00 o'clock.

Tuesday night will be a military social at the church at which time Private Hardison of the Ninth cavalry will tell all about the terrible fights and experiences in and aromnd Santiago de Cuba. He was in the thickest of the fight and is just out of the hospital.

Rev. A. L. Murray led our C. E., meeting last Monday evening in a very interesting manner.

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Jottings—Personals.

Muncie, Ind., special.—A "parsonage reception" will be given at A. M. E. parsonage, on East Jackson street, next Tuesday evening. * * Quarterly meeting convenes next Sunday at A. M. E. Church, at which time the presiding elder, Rev. Townsend, is expected to be present. * * Warner Richardson, of Anderson, visited the city Sunday. * * Miss Beatrice Greenway received the sad intelligence of the drowning of her sister at Portsmouth, O., last week. * * Mr. Jesse Burden, of Marion, was the guest of his cousin, Will Burden, last week. * * Mr. Phillips, of North Baltimore, O., has accepted a position at W. E. Robbins's tonsorial parlors, on South Mulberry street. * * Dr. T. J. Whittaker left Sunday for Green Lake, Ark., where he will reside in the future, providing the situation proves satisfactory. * * Mrs. Hattie Sawyers, who has been sick, is able to be about again. * * Mrs. Wm. Williams left last week for an extended visit in Kentucky. * * Mrs. Knox, of South Plum street, is on the sick list. * * Mr. John Robbins has removed his barber shop from West Main street to South Jefferson street, where he will be found in the future. * * Mr. Clore had one of his fingers badly mashed while at work at the Muncie Wheel Works, on Ohio avenue. * * Mr. Charles Ringgold spent last Thursday in Anderson, the guest of Rufus King. * * Samuel Robbins has accepted a position at Hotel Kirby. * * Miss Stella Watkins held the number which drew the lawn swing that was given away at J. H. Jones's grocery, on Vine street. * * Dr. Thomas, of Marion, paid Muncie a flying visit Sunday. * * Mrs. Frazer, who has been ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Richardson, at Henderson, has returned home very much improved.

Items

Huntington, W. Va., special.—The funeral of Mrs. S. M. James, who died in Burlington, Tuesday, was preached at the First Baptist Church on last Wednesday by Rev. Robt. Steele. The deceased has been a faithful and devoted teacher in the public schools of our city for the past twelve years and was the oldest teacher in the school. She was held very dear by all who knew her, especially her scholars and those who have received the first rudiments of education under her care. She was a prominent member of the St. Luke's and a pious member of the M. E. Church. Her remains were taken to Gallipolis, her birthplace, where they were interred on Thursday. Many members of the order accompanied the remains. She leaves to mourn her loss one child, Herbert, and a host of friends and pupils who will ever cherish her in fond memory. 'Tis sad to part from those we love so well, but God knows best. * * George Bowles, after spending five weeks in Clifton Forge, returned Sunday. * * Laura Johnson left last week for Virginia. * * At the First Church Sunday morning Rev. J. W. Coleman preached a sermon full of enthusiasm and vigor. The Reverend is from the Richmond Theological Seminary and is a very talented young man. * * Mrs. Fannie Gibbs, of Artizan avenue, made a flying trip to Montgomery, W. Va., Saturday. * * Miss Effie Bryant, of Ironton, was with us last week and spent a very delightful week. * * The Y. P. L. S. will have election of officers next Tuesday night. This society is doing very good work and all should attend its meetings. * * Miss Virgie Scott, who has been in Virginia for the past two months, returned Friday much improved in health from her visit. Her grandmother and cousin accompanied her. * * Mr. Sam Nichols has been in a mirthful humor for several days. Why? Santa Claus stopped at his house several nights ago and left a fine girl. * * The following Sunday school officers have been elected at the First Baptist Church for the ensuing year: Superintendent, G. W. Winston; assistant superintendent, W. R. Johnson; secretary, Willie R. James; teachers, advanced No. 1, Wm. Johnson, No. 2, Dr. W. S. Kearney, No. 3, Attorney W. H. Gordon; intermediate, No. 1, T. R. Jenkins, No. 2, Jessie M. Barnett, primary, No. 1, Alexander C. Davis, No. 2, Sarah A. Wilkins; card class, No. 1, Mrs. Anderson, No. 2, D. W. Perden.

Notes of Interest.

Danville, Ind., special.—Mrs. Mangrum Phillips has returned from Chicago. * * Thomas Dudley, of this place, has a position in Indianapolis. * * Messrs. Fouce, Phillips and Bennett spent Sunday in the rural districts. * * Robert Kirkendall left Sunday for a tour of two months through northern Indiana. * * Albert Smith, of Indianapolis, was in our city Saturday. * * Mrs. Queen Pemy returned Thursday to her home in Champaign, Ill., after a visit with her sister, Mrs. John W. Moody. * * Mrs. Thomas Dudley contemplates removing to our capital city in the near future. * * Mrs. Effie Givens, of Indianapolis, paid Danville a short visit last week. * * Mrs. Tennie Harper is improving. * * Verr Kelley, colored, Plainfield, Ind., the only colored boy from this county in the battle of Santiago, returned home Monday. He was met at the depot by the drum corps and everyone made merry the return of the Santiago hero. * * Everybody subscribe for The Freeman.

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